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CANADIAN DOLLAR DEVALUED

Ten Per Cent Cut; Franc To Find Own Level DUTCH GUILDER REDUCED

New York, September 20.

Canada and France have joined the world-wide scramble to devalue their money. They brought the total today to 19 nations that have juggled their currency to woo American buyers since Britain took the plunge on Sunday night.

Economies In Government Departments

London, September 21. The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, has ordered all Government departments to make economies aimed at an all-round cut of at least five per cent in administrative expenditure during the current year, it was authoritatively stated here tonight. This order supplemented the British Treasury's recent call to all departments to cut their estimates for next year with the object of saving at least £150,000,000 on next year's budget of £4,000,000,000.—Reuter.

Moscow View: Guns Instead Of Butter

London, September 20. Moscow Radio claimed today that the British devaluation of the Pound has led to "financial panic" all through Marshallized Europe.

Devaluation in the Western nations virtually means "guns instead of butter," Moscow Radio commentator Leonov charged. He said: "In spite of assurances of labour leaders, the British Government has continued to increase its military expenditures and stop their feverish preparations for a new war. But Wall Street orders called for just the contrary."

"The working people of Britain, France and other Marshallized countries are now to work more and receive less. As for armaments, far from being curtailed, they are to be increased. Guns instead of butter, that is what Wall Street's orders virtually mean."—United Press.

FREIGHTER, FISHING VESSEL COLLIDE

New York, September 20. The Coast Guard reported last night that a freighter had collided with a fishing vessel in dense fog off Halifax, Nova Scotia, sinking the fishing craft. Six crew members of the fishing vessel are missing, the Coast Guard said. The captain and five other crew members of the smaller craft were picked up by the freighter which is owned by the Moore McCormack Lines. The fishing vessel was identified as the Corintian off of Gloucester, Mass. The Coast Guard said the freighter was the 1,600-ton McCormack.

The Coast Guard cutter Coot Bay on weather patrol 250 miles away is proceeding to the scene.—United Press.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (11 p.m. HKST) the tropical storm was centred about 10 miles SW of Hainan and was moving WNW at 15 knots. Pressure is high over central and NE China, and low to the NE of the Philippines.

Today's Forecast: Moderate to fresh E winds, cloudy with showers.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum: 23.5 deg. F. Minimum: 15.5 deg. F. Sunshine: 5.1 hour. Rainfall: 0.2 in. Total rain: 0.2 in. (Jan. 1-17.7 in., mm.—69.59 in., as against an average of 187.3 in., mm.—73.75 in.)

Readings at 10 a.m. 10 p.m. Bar. at sea: 1010.7 1009.4 m.b. Bar. at land: 29.55 29.51 inches. Rel. Humidity: 72 71 % Wind Force: 15 18 knots Wind Direction: 150 150 Wind: 15 18 knots Tide: High 2.0 Low 2.0 High 2.0 Low 2.0

In occupied Japan, General MacArthur authorised the Japanese to buy cheaper British pounds but turned down growing Nipponese clamour for devaluation of the yen.

Many nations today opened their banks and stock markets, ordered closed yesterday to curb speculation, and waited cautiously for repercussions to the money slash. Financial experts predicted several other countries will have to devalue their currency to meet British competition.

The Canadian dollar's value was reduced 10 per cent last night. That means tourists and buyers carrying American dollars to Canada can get 110 Canadian cents for each U.S. dollar—a bargain that Canada hopes will boost her export sales and tourist business.

France cut her money loose from all France dollar controls with the idea of letting the free enterprise system determine how many francs the U.S. dollar will bring. Government officials expected the franc to slide about six per cent to a level of 350 to the dollar. The recent rate has been 330 francs to one dollar.

Neither Canada nor France slashed their currencies as drastically as did Britain. The dollar-short British cut their pound 30 1/2 per cent—from \$4.03 to \$2.80—in a drastic effort to start a buying boom by Americans who now can get British-made goods at cheaper prices.

Demand For Gold

Pandemonium broke out in the London gold share market when official dealings began here today after yesterday's break, following the devaluation of the pound, reports Reuter.

Dealers had great difficulty in controlling the large crowd clamouring for shares in anything reputed to have gold in it. The tempo of dealings was increased by the fact that the Cape was participating today. Arbitrators (dealers trading on both London and South African markets) were finding it necessary to request their South African opposite numbers to give them wide discretionary powers in view of the phenomenally quick-changing prices.

Guilder Cut

Holland today devalued the guilder to 3.60 guilders per dollar from 2.65 guilders per dollar. The devaluation is proportionately similar to that of the pound sterling.

which has agreed to the proposed change in the parity value of the guilder, this exchange rate will operate from midnight, Tuesday, September 20.

The Netherlands has had consultations on this matter with those governments with whom such discussions are fixed by treaty.

Chifley's Remarks

In Canberra the Prime Minister, Mr. Chifley, told the House of Representatives today that the devaluation of the Australian pound "means that there will be no change in the exchange basis of our trading relationships with the United Kingdom—our most important export market."

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Huge Arms Deal In Manila

Manila, September 20. A secret arms deal to provide enough arms to equip an army division was reported today by the usually reliable morning newspaper, the "Manila Times."

The deal is said to involve a banker, a Siamese woman and two Chinese.

Details of the deal, the paper said, were revealed in a report submitted on Monday by a Customs Inspector detailed to Manila's International Airport, to the Port Surveyor of the Bureau of Customs.

The "Times" reported that the Siamese woman had been detained and questioned by intelligence operatives of the Philippine Army.

Among the papers seized from her, it was further reported, were a code and a letter written to her by the Manila banker.

The paper added that the woman was allowed to continue her trip after the investigation. However, the documents found on her were retained by the authorities.

Blockade Warship Defects To Reds

The flagship of a Nationalist naval fleet stationed near Chusan Islands, about 100 miles South East of Shanghai, surrendered to the Chinese Communists yesterday morning, according to a vernacular press report yesterday.

Amoy Situation Reported Grave

Canton, September 20. Amoy was still in Government hands today, according to a radiophone call received from that city. The situation, however, was reported to be grave. The message said that its defences had been reinforced by troops which had withdrawn from Changchow, West of Amoy.

Inside the city all was quiet and orderly. No gunfire was audible. In Kwangtung Province, Red General Chen Keng's 14th Army regiment, together with guerrillas, entered Hsinfeng district and was last reported to be pushing further Southward towards Lungmen.

Hsinfeng and Lungmen are 80 and 70 miles North East of Canton respectively. The situation in the West River area of Kwangtung was reported to have worsened in the past month.

Guerrillas controlled Kwangtung, 80 miles North West of Canton. These activities have been on a comparatively small scale.

The anticipated Southward offensive by the main Communist force in Hunan Province has still not started.

Drastic Steps

The Nationalists are taking drastic steps to defend Amoy and keep law and order within the city, according to a Chinese despatch reaching here. Tension has increased following the Communist occupation of Changchow, West of Amoy, which was reported yesterday.

The Garrison Commander in Amoy is making a thorough investigation of the city's inhabitants. Already several persons suspected of subversive activity have been arrested.

Several warships in the main land have been ordered to shipping. The official Military News Agency admitted today that a regiment of General Chen Keng's 14th Army had joined up with local guerrillas in the Yungyun area of Kwangtung Province South East of Kowloon.

Admiral's Boast

A reliable report said the Communist forces in complete occupation of Pingtan and Nanjhi Islands on the Fukien coast about 50 miles South of Fochow, writes the "China Mail" correspondent in Canton. Tung An North of Amoy also fell into Communist hands.

Shanghai Evacuees Coming Here

American President Lines have made agreements with the Chinese Communists and Nationalists guaranteeing safe entry of the ss. General Gordon to Shanghai on September 23.

The General Gordon will leave Hong Kong September 21, but will not carry any passengers or cargo to Shanghai, and will be marked with two 15 by 26 foot American flags painted on either side of the ship's hull.

First-class passengers who arrived on the General Gordon in Hong Kong on Monday evening will be transferred to the SS President Wilson tomorrow morning, and third class General Gordon passengers will remain in Hong Kong until the ship returns from Shanghai on September 27.

APL officials expect to take more than 1,300 passengers from Shanghai to Hong Kong.

An official of the Company said yesterday that he did not know the method of selection, if many more passengers than the General Gordon can accommodate wish to leave, but that the Company was looking passengers of all nationalities.

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ARRESTS OF PRIESTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Prague, September 20. Authoritative Czechoslovak Roman Catholic Church sources here today issued a report on the recent arrests of Czechoslovak priests, listing 31 priests from some hundreds they said had been arrested or were held by the police.

The list covers vicars, deans, superiors and other church officials and gave accounts, prepared through church channels, of the circumstances of their arrests by the Czechoslovak Security Police.

The report said that a number of priests had been arrested in the seminary for priests at Bratko, Kracovo, where sisters working in the seminary kitchen were also arrested.—Reuter.

NO LOOSENING OF OFFICIAL EXCHANGE HERE

Opinion in some quarters yesterday that the devaluation of the pound Sterling means that official exchange will be granted more freely, was authoritatively refuted yesterday. A Government spokesman, in reply to a question, told the "China Mail" that the view held by some people that permits for official exchange will no longer be required is also wrong.

He said that the devaluation has only changed the official rate of exchange. In fact, he added, very little official exchange is being granted in Hong Kong. It is not intended that this should be increased, he said.

Merchants, students and other private individuals who applied for official exchange before the devaluation announcement will have to pay the new rate which is about HK\$5.80 to US\$1. The new rate will apply to all contracts not closed at the time of the devaluation announcement. The new rate will not apply to contracts which have been fixed at the old rate, said the spokesman.

The Government spokesman was unable to give an estimate of the amount of hard currency exchange applied for before the devaluation announcement, and the amount in American dollars of contracts which had been approved but not closed at the time of the devaluation. Even the banks don't know, he said.

Exchange Market

On the exchange market, which reopened yesterday morning after Monday's "holliday," there was no sign of the previous day's excitement. People streamed into the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank in the morning to look at the official exchange quotations posted up in the bank hall, and went away remarking that most of the change in the US dollar and Pess rates there had been no change.

TT Sterling at 1/2 13/16 selling was the same as Saturday. TT New York was marked down to 17 1/4 to conform to the devalued rate of the pound Sterling.

The London-New York cross rate was 2/9 7/8 selling and 2/8 1/8 buying. The exchange banks reported "business as usual" with no rush to fix exchange.

Merchants, with another day to digest the situation, were still non-committal, but were apparently relieved that there had been no violent "shake-up" in prices.

Chemicals Up

Industrial chemical merchants were reported to have marked up prices slightly on Monday, but lack of demand will, in the view of competent observers, bring prices down again. Patent medicines and pharmaceutical merchants decided to

Unicorn's Cargo Of Planes For Far East Base

Glasgow, September 20. The British aircraft-carrier Unicorn arrived here today to take on a "top secret" cargo of 100 aircraft for delivery to a Far Eastern air base. Naval officers refused to discuss the shipment. They refused all information regarding the number, type, and destination of the planes.—Reuter.

mark up prices by 10 per cent and due to better demand in this trade a further increase is expected.

On the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange the volume of business was just normal, with no rush to buy or sell.

Industrial gold dropped immediately the market opened, and it was more or less a one-way movement throughout the day, losing about 10 points in the process, and closing at a level about 10 percent above Saturday's.

U.S. Dollar

The US dollar opened at HK\$5.20 and closed at \$5.15, with more sellers than buyers. TT was dealt in from HK\$4.10 down to \$4.04 1/4 again with more sellers than buyers.

These rates compare with the official value of the US dollar now at HK\$5.80.

On the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, the rally which developed on Monday after the announcement of Sterling's devaluation, was not maintained, and the market suffered a setback.

Generally the Hong Kong market is getting back to where it stood on Saturday, hardly feeling the effect of the biggest financial change of the year. If not since the end of the war, was how business observers summed up the situation yesterday.

EARTHQUAKE IN JAPAN

Tokyo, September 20. A light earthquake rocked the Japan Sea coast of Honshu today, shaking buildings in Fukuoka and surrounding towns which were wrecked in last year's major earthquake.

The epicentre of the tremor, which was recorded at 11.27 a.m. local time, was located 20 miles off the coast of Niigata Prefecture.—United Press.



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Mysterious Cargo Aboard Ill-Fated ss. Chak Sang

The "mystery" of the 52 bags of red iron oxide of 5,150 lb. found among the cargo aboard the ill-fated British freighter Chak Sang deepened at yesterday's continued hearing of the Marine Court of inquiry into the explosion of the ship.

The red iron oxide came aboard some time in the afternoon of September 6 and was stored in the No. 1 'tween deck on both sides. I took delivery of it and signed the mate's receipt," Third Officer Yuan Tso-ying declared in giving evidence before the five-man court at the Marine Office yesterday.

At the opening hearing, Chief Officer Brian D. Johnson in his evidence professed ignorance of how that cargo came aboard. "I cannot explain the presence of the red iron oxide," he had said.

The Court of inquiry convened on the recommendation of the Director of Marine, Mr. Neill Garland, and the local agents of the ship, Jardine, Matheson & Co., resumed hearing yesterday morning and adjourned proceedings to 9.30 a.m. today.

The members consist of Mr. Neill Garland, as President, Captain J.N. MacFarlane (master mariner), Professor J.E. Driver (Professor of Chemistry, Hong Kong University), Mr. J. Redman (Government Chemist), and Lieutenant Commander J.B.P. Stirling, R.N.

Mr. D.L. Strellett represents both the master, Mr. G.W.F. Edwards, and the chief officer, Mr. J.L. Lynn, who gave corroborative evidence on the general movements of the Chak Sang on her arrival here.

Chief Officer Johnson entered the witness box again at the resumption of the proceedings yesterday morning.

Recounting his experience on the tragic night prior to the explosion, Mr. Johnson said he was relieved by the third officer at 8 p.m. and went to his cabin to retire.

"I was awakened by a violent shock and found myself on my feet. I ran out to the boat deck and saw the foredeck in flames. The fire was orange-red. I could not see the damage because of the flames," witness declared.

Ship's whistles started blowing. Asked whether he could offer further information on the fire, he replied in the negative.

The second officer and a Chinese quartermaster were on the fore deck and together they cleared the way to lower No. 2 lifeboat on the portside of the main deck.

"It worked perfectly. I then went to my cabin to collect the cargo papers. My cabin was wrecked but the electric light was still on.

Covered With Blood

"During this time, I noticed the third officer's face was covered with blood in his cabin. We proceeded together to the poop house, where the remaining members of the crew had already been mustered.

"They assisted in clearing the obstacles. We both then returned to see if any person remained on board. The lifeboat from the ss. Nowroz came alongside and the men jumped into it.

"I threw my cargo papers to the third officer but unfortunately they fell into the sea," witness said.

Describing the fumes emanating from the fire, witness said it was just like the odour that usually follows immediately after the initial flare of a safety match.

"The acid odour has the same taste and smell," he remarked.

This was substantiated by Mr. Edwards, the master of the ship.

But Mr. Johnson would not say it was sulphur.

"While waiting for the lifeboat of the Nowroz to return, I went back to the cargo supervisor's cabin and took the shipping orders and ship's log. I then returned to the aft and jumped into the lifeboat followed by Mr. Edwards," Mr. Johnson said.

Asked by the Court whether any ship had arrived before he left the ill-fated Chak Sang, witness replied no.

Moderate Sea

"The sea was moderate. There were strong fresh winds. I was on the burning vessel for a certain time, but I had no definite idea exactly how long," he declared.

The fire was accompanied by a great deal of noise, which was like a roaring fire. Witness could not give any explanation.

"I noticed a sulphurous odour emanating from the flames," he added.

The third officer, Mr. Yuan Tso-ying, said the 52 bags of red iron oxide came aboard some time in the afternoon of September 6 and were stored in the No. 1 'tween deck on the port and starboard sides.

"I signed the mate's receipt," he declared.

"The condition of the iron oxide was good. They were in single bags," he said.

Asked how he knew that cargo so well, witness replied that he took delivery of it.

The hatches were battened down after 4 p.m. that day.

"I turned up for duty at 8 p.m. on September 7 and was on the bridge all the time.

Flash And Noise

"About 10.35 p.m. I was on the starboard side of the bridge watching towards the Marine Office Cannought Road, Central, for any change of the typhoon signal when suddenly a flash from the right forward and a big noise occurred.

"I was knocked out by something which I could not tell. I fell on the starboard side of the bridge. I did not remember anything which was on the deck.

"When I recovered, I saw thick white smoke enveloping me. I tried to shout for help but found it difficult because of a very bad smell," he related.

"No assistance came. I crawled for four or five minutes on the navigating bridge and fell down to the boat deck.

"I fell I held on to something—I'm not sure whether it was wire or rope—I felt great pain in my head, arms, right hand, hips, legs and the left side of the back.

"My right hand was cut at several places.

"I managed to reach my cabin to grab my handbag, containing my testaminal. My clothes were covered with blood.

"I went to the after end of the ship and saw Mr. Edwards instructing some personnel to lower the No. 4 lifeboat.

"The master told me he was very busy ordering the crew and could not treat my wounds. So I sat down on the deck and waited until someone put me on the lifeboat.

"I could not identify him, however," witness said.

Mr. Yuan, told the Court he could not think of any explanation as to the cause of the blast.

Prior to the accident, the deck was deserted after 8.30 p.m.

There was no sign of smoke or fire before the explosion, the chief engineer, L. A. Sanh, who said the ship was prepared to sail at 4 p.m. that day.

"Some time in the afternoon, however, the master instructed him that the ship would ride the typhoon where they were (at Buoy A-15).

"The engine room staff were already on sea watches from 2 p.m.

Witness said he lost his ticket in the burning ship.

The explosion woke him up and on awakening he found his cabin wrecked.

He then went out into the alleyway on the portside to the aft end of the inside. Just as he reached there he heard a telegraph go.

"It was for slow stern position," he said.

The Court then suggested that debris might have fallen on the telegraph system thus causing the signal.

This was unanimously agreed on.

"The chief engineer then came into the engine room and ordered all pumps to be shut, and the engine room to be evacuated," he declared.

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PAINTER



Miss Teeng Yu-ho, painter in classical Chinese tradition, who will hold a painting exhibition at the Tung Ying Shan Library, Hong Kong University, from September 25 to October 1. A preview will be held tomorrow at the Hong Kong Hotel. It will be attended by the Governor and Lady Grantham.

Miss Teeng studied painting under Prince Pu China, chief exponent of ancient classical painting for six years. She is a graduate of the Fu Jen School of Fine Arts. She has exhibited her work at Peking and San Francisco. The exhibition in London. The exhibition has been sponsored by the British Universities China Committee.

the lower deck from facial injuries, and went to his aid. "I threw a life line to the boat and went after it. But before I could make it, the boat drifted away.

"So I went to the No. 4 lifeboat. There I helped the master in lowering the boat. I went down by the rope ladder but by the time I got there the boat cast away being fully loaded.

"I was subsequently picked up by a fisherman's boat."

He told the Court that he noticed a strong smell which he could not identify, and saw thick black smoke.

"The fire was roaring and was of deep orange in colour."

Witness produced papers certifying engine tests made at Kowloon Docks in July.

Giving his evidence in Mandarin through an interpreter, Quartermaster Liu Fung-chuan said that he was on the bridge with the third officer. The master had ordered him not to leave the bridge, witness said.

Knocked Out

The explosion knocked him out. He did not remember anything until he found himself in a lifeboat. He was taken to a hospital in Kowloon, which he could not specifically identify, though he mentioned Kowloon Hospital.

Then William E. Holivar, second engineer, went into the witness box.

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Chinese Sentenced For Possessing Arms

An ingenious method of concealing arms and ammunition by hiding them inside a seemingly neat stack of newspapers, cut out inside so as to make it hollow, was revealed in a trial at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

In passing sentence of five years and 10 strokes on Wong Lai-chuen, Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice, remarked that obviously the three automatics, a revolver, and 21 rounds of ammunition found were a battery of arms belonging to some gang and within Wong's knowledge.

Wong, who not legally represented, was convicted of possession of arms and ammunition by a jury of four men and three women who returned the verdict by six to one after deliberating for half an hour.

Mr. A. Hooten, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector C. Asher, presented.

According to the prosecution, on July 23, 1949, the police acting on information went to a certain boarding house in Connaught Road Central and took accused into custody. Later, Wong took the police to the second floor of 73B Pöcklam Road, where a search revealed the arms and ammunition hidden in newspapers under a bed.

Left By Men

Accused in his own defence yesterday told the Court from the dock that the parcel of newspapers was brought into his house by a band of men, and that he did not know what it contained when it was left there by them.

He alleged that he had been a victim of a "frame up" by the men who had planted the weapons in his home to get him into trouble.

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Wong's wife corroborated his statement as to having seen men come to the house.

After the jury had returned the verdict, Crown Counsel told the Court that Wong had had a previous conviction in 1948 for dealing in arms, for which he was fined \$400.

Wong pleaded in mitigation that he had a wife and three children, a mother and an aged grandmother to support. He asked for leniency.

Passing sentence, Sir Leslie declared that Wong had been found guilty by the jury of a very serious crime against the laws of the Colony.

It was quite obvious that the arms and ammunition were a battery of arms belonging to some gang, and they were in Wong's possession within his knowledge.

The arms and ammunition were ordered to be confiscated.

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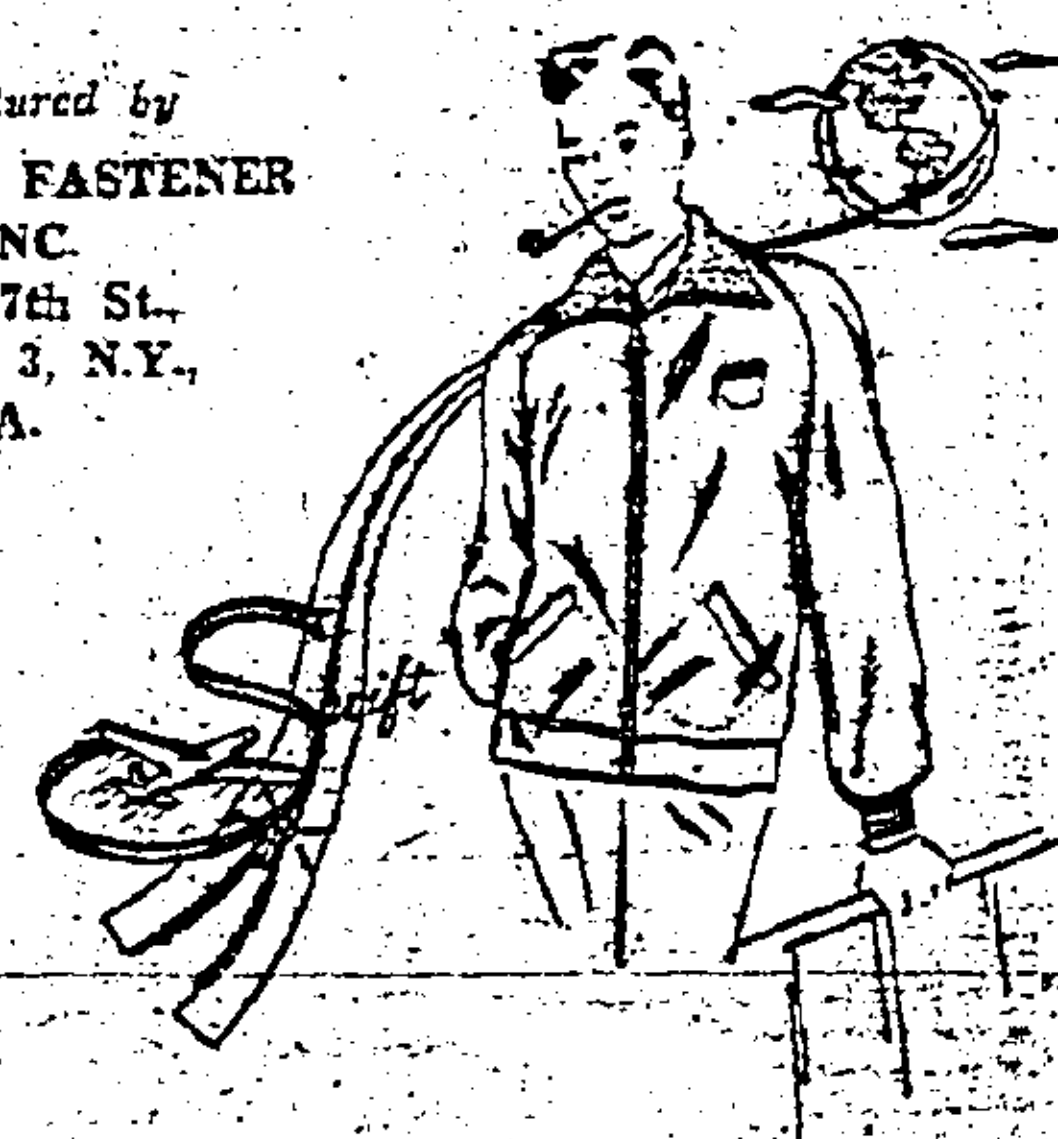
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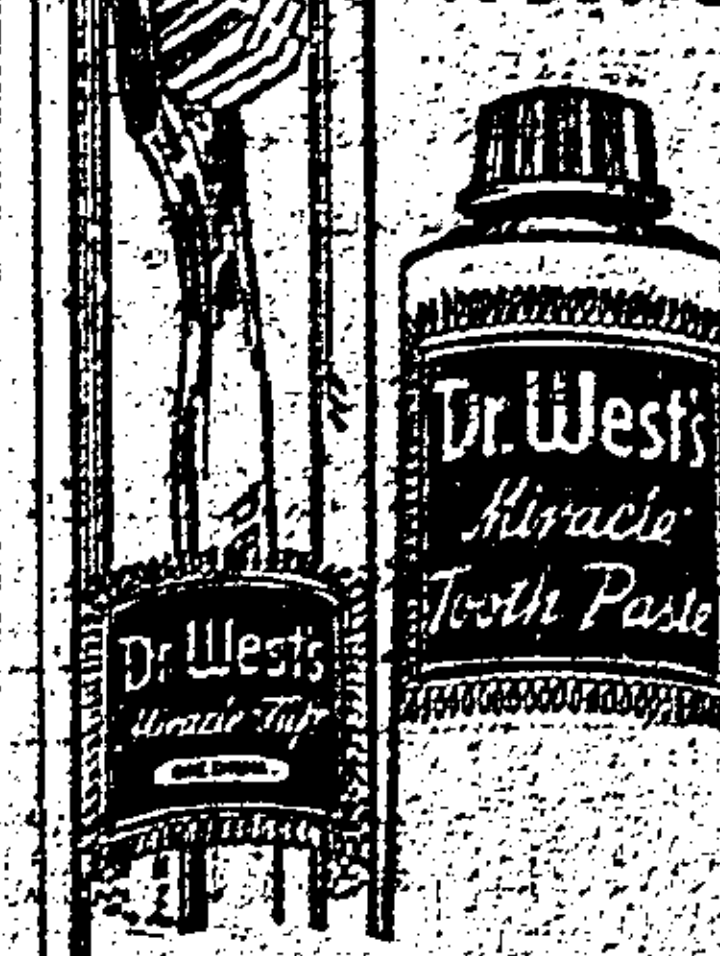
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2. Details of renewal procedure were published in press notices on the 25th August 1949, 1st and 2nd. September 1949.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Hong Kong, Sept. 14, 1949.

NOTICE

ANTI-RABIES MEASURES

It is hereby notified that, in view of the serious outbreak of rabies in Kowloon and the New Territories, no further permits will be issued under Regulations 22 & 23 of the Dogs Ordinance, 1927, for the removal of dogs from Kowloon to Hong Kong, or from the New Territories to any other part of the Colony.

The issue of special permits to take sporting dogs from Hong Kong to the New Territories has also ceased, until further notice.

N. B. M. WHITLEY,

Secretary.

Urban Council.

September 19, 1949.

NOTICE

CHANGE OF SURNAME

TAKE NOTICE that by a Deed Poll dated the 19th day of September, 1949, I, LILLIAN EVA EVANS otherwise EVA LILLIAN EVANS of 90 Pokfulam Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, Spinster, a British subject by birth renounced and abandoned the surname of "EVANS".

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Rotarians Hear Talk On History Of Coinage In Europe

A talk on the history of coinage in Europe and coin forgers was given at the Hong Kong Rotary Club yesterday by Mr. D. F. Allen, Far East representative of the British Ministry of Shipping.

Before Mr. Allen joined the Ministry of Shipping he was for seven years engaged at the British Museum to study European and English coins.

Mr. Allen said though he had not yet studied closely coinage of China and other Far Eastern countries, coinage

started in Europe and China at about the same time, though there was no connection between the two.

Coins were first started on the coast of Asia Minor about 80 B.C. They were made of silver and gold, with a seal stamped on them. They were not the coins we know today but just different objects, such as an unmade sword, with a stamp to show weight or value. China, on the other hand, had round coins from the earliest days.

Coins were issued under the stamp of various rulers or local authorities; and when trade extended trade coins came into use, mostly in the Mediterranean area, which became recognised as common currency. When the Romans invaded England they brought their coins into the country and that was the beginning of English coinage.

English coinage as we know it today started about 600 A.D. with the coming of the silver pennies, 240 of which made an English pound, this unit obtaining to this day.

However, there were only pennies, and they were made by various authorities. On one side they bore the name of the King, and on the other that of the issuer. These coins did not last long, and new coins were issued every three years.

Then, in the reign of Henry II, one type of coinage was issued as the common currency of the country and lasted five reigns. It was also accepted in Europe. Devaluation is nothing new, said Mr. Allen, as it is on record that the silver pennies were debased at least five times and lost three-fourths of their original weight in the process.

Gold Coins

It was in the fourteenth century that gold came to be coined, with the opening up of trade with the East from where all the gold came.

However, owing to the difficulty of fixing the relative value of gold and silver, the simultaneous issue of gold and silver coins was a continual muddle for a long time.

PORTUGAL NOT TO PROTEST

Lisbon, September 19. A spokesman for the Foreign Ministry said today that the Portuguese Government will not protest against the treason trial of Tokyo Rose before the American Federal court in San Francisco even if the defendant does turn out to be a Portuguese citizen as she claims.—United Press.

NOTICE CLUB DE RECREIO

LADIES' DANCE to be held on October 9

Dress: Formal for ladies; men, optional. (For further particulars refer to Ladies' Section, Club de Recreio).

MYLTHE DA SILVA, Lady Secretary.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

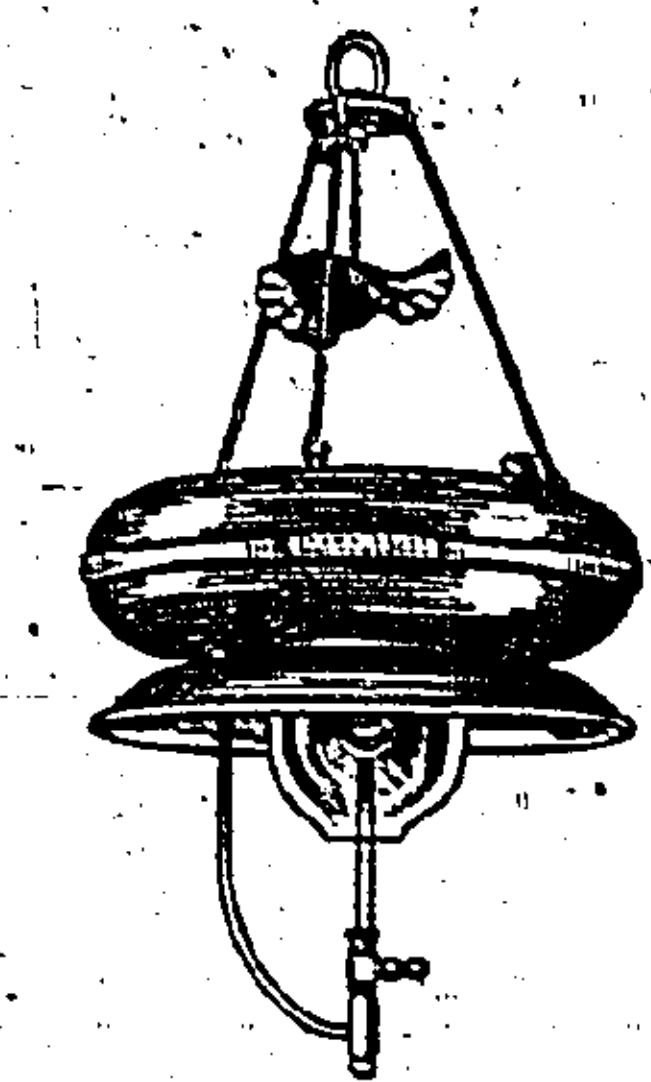
On the 1st of December 1941 Kwan Chi Kin (關志堅) and Cheung Kai Um (鍾介仁) of Kai Hang Hong, (德發行) 6 Mui Fong Street, (2nd floor) were admitted to bail in \$11,000 at the Magistracy, Hong Kong, on a charge of illegal possession of codes or cyphers contrary to the Defence Regulations 1940.

The person paying this bail gave the name of Chan Po Shu (陳寶樹) but it is believed that this was not the correct name of the person concerned.

Receipts (Audit No. 2809 and Audit No. 2910 dated 1.12.41) were duly issued in the name of Chan Po Shu (陳寶樹).

Anyone who can give any information regarding the identity of Chan Po Shu (陳寶樹) and the whereabouts of Kwan Chi Kin (關志堅) and Cheung Kai Um (鍾介仁) is requested to send a signed statement of the facts to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Fire Brigade Building before the 15th of October, 1949.

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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

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Through Tickets (10 Races—\$20) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the special Cash Sweep on the last race as well as those for the "Kwangtung Handicap" to be run at the Double Tenth Race Meeting on 8th October, 1949. Tickets in the Special Cash Sweep on the last race and those for the "Kwangtung Handicap" may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 322 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818). NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING. MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

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BLAM AGAINST OPENING IT IS NOT often that you see a slam made against the pair which opened the bidding. That is, under one of two conditions exists—either the original bid was a pure psychic or else the declarer has freakishly long suit lengths in his own hand or the dummy. But when the play is manipulated just right and the declarer finds a number of suits arranged to his liking in the defenders' hands, it can happen.

SKJ 987
HA 10
DA 4
CK 10 5 3
SA Q 3
H K 6 2
D Q 3 10 9
C 9
S 4
H 7 4
D K 7 6 5
C A J 6 4 2
(Dealer: West. Both sides vulnerable.)

West North East South
1 D Nbl Pass 2 S
Pass 2 S Pass 3 C
Pass 5 C

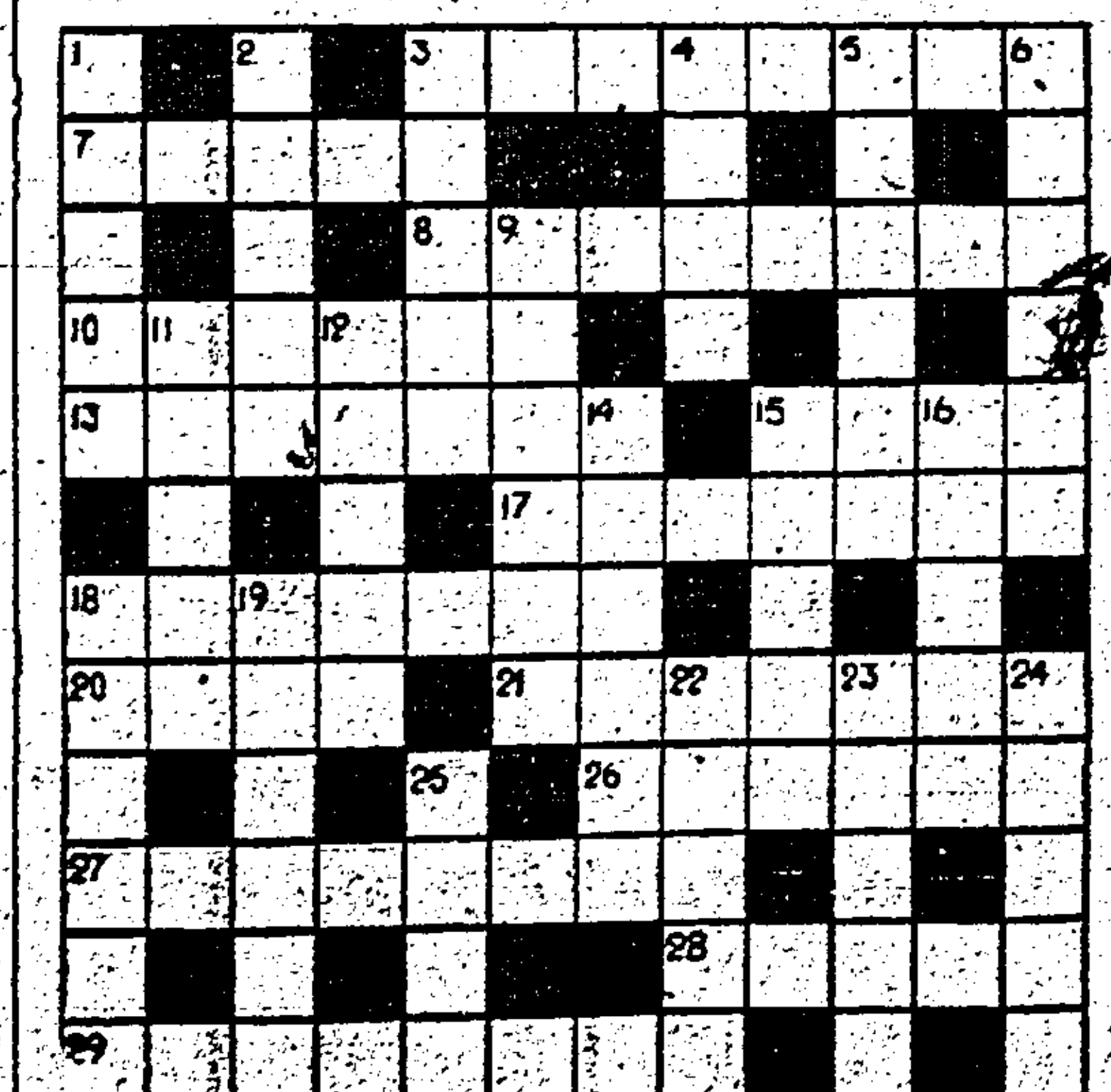
Who would ever think South could get away with an extra trick in this contract. At the outset his own hand contained one loser in each major and two diamonds which must somehow be disposed of, plus the possibility of a loser in trumps. His figuring began as soon as he saw the diamond Q lead. With just barely enough strength for an original bid out against him, he decided to count West as having great suit length for his bid, and therefore forego shortage in clubs! So instead of playing trumps normally, he determined to consider East as likely to have a twice guarded Q.

The first trick therefore was won by the diamond K, club 2 led to the K to eliminate the danger of West having a singleton Q, then he finessed the J and took out the Q with the A. To dispose of other losers, he decided to work on setting up spades. West favoured him by using the A on the 4 lead and returned the diamond 9 to the A. The spade K brought a discard of the heart 4, ruff of the spade 8 took out the Q, the heart 7 was led to the A and the last two spades were used for discarding South's last heart and the diamond 5. Now the heart 10 was ruffed with the club 6 and the diamond 7 with the club 10 to give South an extra trick, with nothing lost except to the spade A. So an unbid slam was scored against an original bid.

Tomorrow's Problem
S 9 8
H Q J 2
D 8 7 3
C A K 8 6 5
S Q J 5
H K 6 5 4
D 9 5
C Q J 9
S K 10 7 6 2
H None
D A K 10 6
C 10 4 3 2
(Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable.)

Can you imagine any sequence of events which will give East and West a game against two hands of about opening bid strength.

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7 Minimum. 21 Lasting.
8 Praise. 26 Job.
10 Sterile. 27 Chides.
12 Tasteless. 28 Excellent.
13 Repose. 29 Pieces of.
17 Occupies. Furniture.
18 Earned.
Down
1 Plea in de. 15 Modern
2 Couples. aid to
3 Precipitous. 18 Fashion.
4 Unruffled. 19 Disfigured.
5 Damsel. 20 Small wave.
6 Aroma. 22 Grates.
9 Joined. 23 Commence.
11 Rage. 24 Went wrong.
12 Stiff. 25 Master.
14 Infer.

Yesterday's Crossword
ACROSS—1. Poeta, 5. Erect, 8. Scope, 9. Pariah, 10. Ivory, 11. Rinsed, 12. Link, 13. Orate, 18. Evaded, 18. Effete, 20. Serif, 22. Rush, 23. Newel, 25. Ophe, 26. 15. Enthusied, 16. Effects, 17. At-Morose, 27. Stops, 28. Myths, 29. Tested.
DOWN—1. Populous, 2. Strang, 3. Taz, 4. Achieve, 5. Episode, 6. Revere, 7. Carat, 14. Adjutant, 15. Enthusied, 16. Effects, 17. At-Morose, 27. Stops, 28. Myths, 29. Tested.

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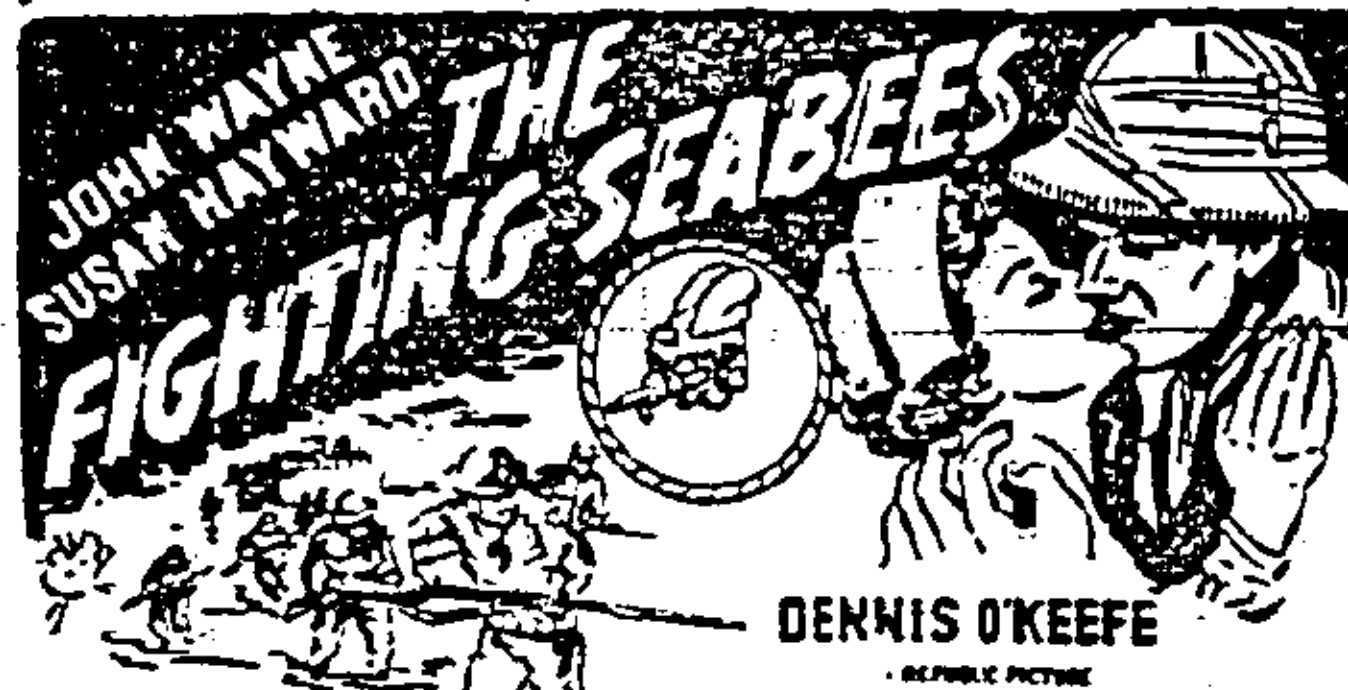
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ANOTHER 'CONFESSION' IN HUNGARIAN TRIAL

Budapest, September 19.

The last of the eight defendants in the Budapest treason trial pleaded guilty today, ending the series of confessions which alleged United States and Yugoslav espionage behind the Iron Curtain. Sentences may be pronounced on Friday or Saturday.

M. Lazlo Rajk, former Foreign Minister, and seven other high officials are accused of treason and spying for the American and Yugoslav Secret Services.

Lazar Brankov, one of the defendants who is alleged to have headed the Yugoslav Intelligence Service in Hungary, told the court today of Yugoslav espionage in Czechoslovakia.

He named the chief of Yugoslavia's Intelligence Service there as a man called Dr. M. C. Pettit, formerly Vice-Consul in Budapest, were named by a Yugoslav defendant, Lazar Brankov, who claimed to have been in touch with these "British agents".

The spokesman declared: "In any case General Edgcombe left Budapest in September, 1947, at a time when Marshal Tito was still being eulogised as the most devoted of Stalin's followers."

Mr. Pettit was a consular official and was thus concerned with consular, not political, duties, he stated.—Reuter.

LADY BROOKE VICTIMISED

London, September 19.

George Augustus Storer, aged 21, was sentenced to three years imprisonment here today for robbing Lady Brooke, the former Rane of Sarawak, of a cigarette case and £20.

He was acquitted of a charge of possessing an offensive weapon. George Frederick Thatcher, a 20-year-old labourer, who pleaded guilty to robbing Lady Brooke, and Derek Donald Gould, aged 19, who pleaded guilty to receiving a handgun, were each sent to prison for three years.

No evidence was offered against Patricia Gould, aged 23, who had been committed on a charge of receiving stolen property, and she was found not guilty and discharged.—Reuter.

Three Routes

Dr. Szonyi declared that there were three routes through which information was passed from Budapest to Switzerland to the American Intelligence Service.

The first was via Yugoslav intelligence agents to Mr. Dulles, the second to Mr. Field in Bern, and the third by letter sent by a courier to the American Office of Strategic Services.

Dr. Szonyi said that he knew of the contact between Marshal Tito and the American Intelligence Service.

The alleged coup d'état planned in Hungary by himself and other accused was to have been part of the formation of a Balkan bloc hostile to the Soviet Union, which was to have been run by Marshal Tito.

The examination of the defendants' evidence was concluded this afternoon, when the eighth accused, Paul Justus, one-time chief ideologist of the Hungarian Social Democrat Party, pleaded guilty.

The examination of witnesses will begin tomorrow.

British Denial

In London, a Foreign Office spokesman tonight denied that there was any truth in the allegations at Saturday's session of the Budapest trial that two British officials in Hungary had been involved in the plotting to overthrow the Government.

The Britons, Major General Oliver Pearce Edgcombe, for-

Film Star's Engagement Broken

Hollywood, September 19.
The London-born movie star, Elizabeth Taylor, 17, and William Paulley, 28, today announced that they had broken their engagement because of "too much distance."

The actress said she would be tied up here making pictures until the spring, when she goes to Italy for the shooting of "Quo Vadis." Paulley, a businessman, lives on the East Coast—United Press.

America Asked To Back MRA

Caux-sur-Montreux, September 19.

Sir Patrick Dollard, Scottish editor of the Labour Party newspaper, the "Daily Herald," asked the United States Congress to support the Moral Rearmament Movement in a speech at its World Assembly here yesterday.

Sir Patrick said that if Congress would give Dr. Frank Buchman, the Movement's founder, the support he deserves "we in Europe will do the same."

"No country is better fitted to give the ideology of Caux to the world than America," he declared. "Through her economic resources and material power, she is now the leader of the world. We want her to be the spiritual leader as well."

In the audience were Representative William R. Foote (Democrat, Texas) and Mr. Foote, Mrs. Homer Ferguson, wife of the Republican Senator from Michigan, and Mrs. Harold D. Cooley, wife of the Democratic Representative from North Carolina.—Reuter.

Korea Appeals To United Nations

Lake Success, September 19.

The Republic of Southern Korea today appealed to the United Nations to send military aid to cope with the threat of Communist encroachment from Russian-dominated Northern Korea.

In a letter addressed to the General Assembly on the eve of its opening, Dr. Chough Pyung Ok, permanent Korean observer at the United Nations, asked that the world organisation strengthen its Korean Commission until the divided Asiatic country of 30,000,000 persons is unified.

Dr. Chough's letter made these proposals to the General Assembly:

1. "Until Korea is unified the United Nations Commission on Korea should be strengthened and military advisers added to it."

2. "The United Nations should adopt a declaration that member nations will assume joint responsibility for the security of the Republic of Korea."

—United Press.

OPTIMISM AT UN MEETING

Lake Success, September 19.
The fourth session of the United Nations General Assembly will open at Flushing Meadows on Tuesday in a mood of restrained optimism over chances of settling some major issues on the bursting 73-item agenda.

Delegates from 59 member nations arrived in droves today by plane, boat and train. Among them are the Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Vyshinsky, the American Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, and a strong contingent from a nation all others are watching closely—Yugoslavia.

The session will be opened at 11 a.m. in the huge Assembly Hall on the old World's Fair ground by the chief Australian delegate, Norman Makin, substituting for Dr. Herbert Ewart, President of the previous Assembly.

A hopeful atmosphere—contrasting with the gloom before the Paris meeting a year ago—was reflected in pre-Assembly statements by key delegates and in more concrete diplomatic developments.

The nimble-tongued Vyshinsky, who delivered many a blast against the West at United Nations meetings was all smiles and friendliness when he landed at LaGuardia airport. He said he was very optimistic about chances for world peace and then added: "But I'm very optimistic by nature."

If he was looking for a flurrier in the tough Balkan area or the Chinese Communist grab for Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's United Nations seat, he did not show it.

American delegates for several days have been exuding a feeling of confidence too that the 10-week Assembly will make some contributions to peace.

The entire first day is expected to be consumed by the business of electing a President, seven vice-presidents (the Big Five and two others), and the chairmen of six Assembly committees.

A general debate at which important policy statements will doubtless be made by several delegation chiefs will begin on Wednesday.—United Press.

AFGHAN KING TO VISIT EUROPE

Peshawar, September 19.

King Mohammed Zahir Shah, of Afghanistan, is to leave Kabul this week for eye treatment in Europe. He may also visit the United States for further treatment.

King Zahir Shah was attended earlier this year by the British surgeon, Sir Henry Holland. Sir Henry told Reuter in Karachi after his visit that the King's eye had been affected by a bad tooth. This tooth has now been extracted, but the eye is still causing trouble.

The King will fly to Europe by way of Teheran.—Reuter.

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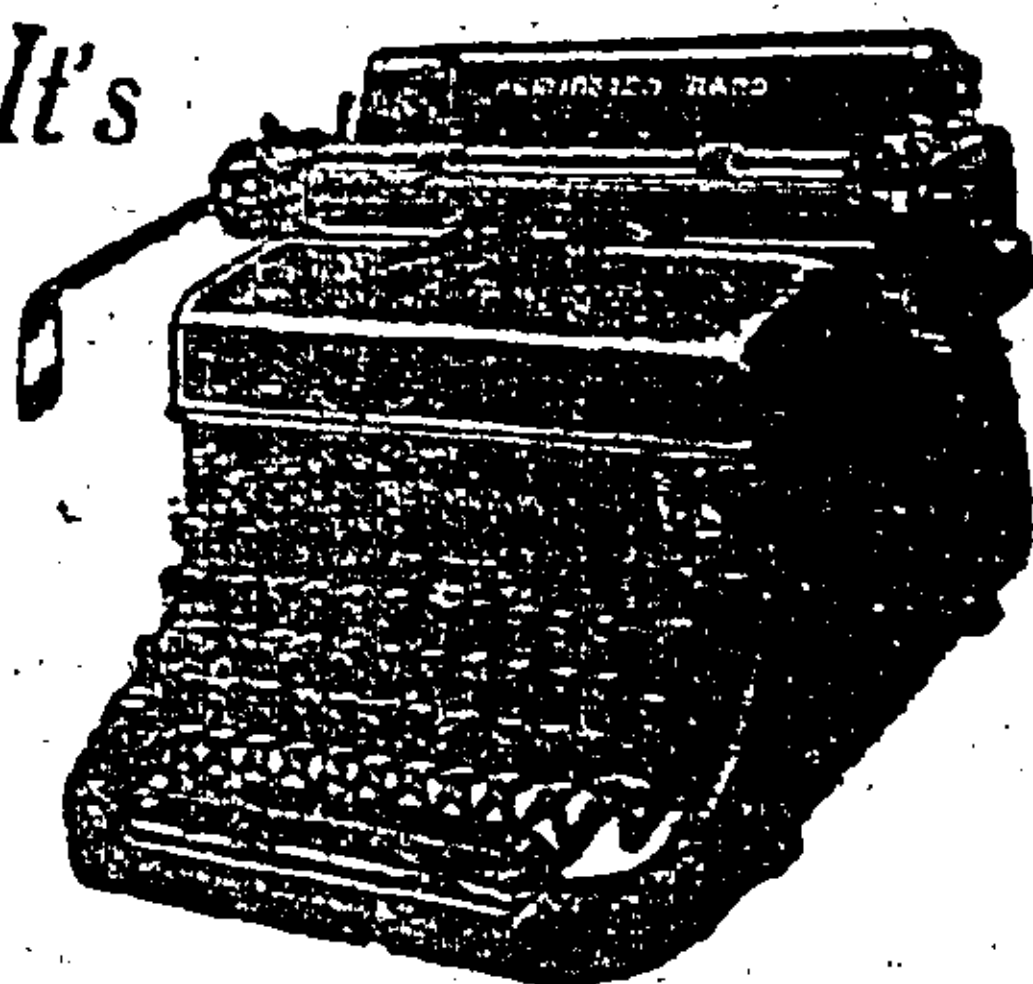
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U.S. ECONOMIST CAUTIOUS ON DEVALUATION

Washington, September 19.

American bargain hunters soon may find British tweeds and Scotch whisky marked down 30 per cent but economists here warned today that it won't happen overnight and it may not last.

They said the announcement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, that the British Pound needed a cut in value from \$4.03 to \$2.80 is only a temporary cure for what has developed into a long-range headache.

India Wants Foreign Scientists

London, September 19.

Sir Shanti Swarupa Bhatnagar, who has been collecting workers and equipment for the 11 research laboratories being erected in India by the Government at a cost of 20 million rupees, said in London tonight that India wanted the aid of the world's leading scientists and did not care what nationality they belonged to.

"American, British and Swedish scientists have already been engaged and have gone to India," he told the Press Trust of India. "We are concentrated on research in industry, agriculture and defence. It is imperative that the standard of living in India should be raised and this cannot be done without science."

"The fact that the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, is at the head of the Scientific Research Organisation shows the importance he and his Government attach to it."

The leader of the Indian delegation to the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Conference, Sir Bhatnagar, flies home to India on September 25.—Reuter.

Swedish King Ill

Stockholm, September 19.

King Gustav of Sweden, who is 91, is suffering from bronchitis and general weakness, it was announced today.

The King's physician, Dr. Hjalmar Carstén, said: "The King will not be able to take part in an elk hunt that he had organised for King Frederick and Prince Axel of Denmark and former King Michael of Rumania tomorrow."

When he opened Parliament in January this year, King Gustav was carried on a stretcher because of indisposition.

In March he went to Nice for a two-months' spring holiday on the French Riviera.—Reuter.

Boffa Gets Vote Of Confidence

Valetta, September 19.

Dr. Paul Boffa, the Prime Minister of Malta, was given a vote of confidence in Parliament tonight by 24 votes to seven.

Mr. D. Minto, who resigned from the Cabinet during the recent talks on Malta's economic problems, walked out of the House when the vote was taken. Labour sympathisers left with him.

Seven Nationalist members voted against Dr. Boffa, who was supported by the Democratic Action Party and the Goco Party. Dr. Boffa had asked for the approval of his action in withdrawing the ultimatum to Britain during the London talks.—Reuter.

PAKISTAN VIEWS ON KASHMIR

London, September 19.

Two letters giving the Pakistani views on the future of Kashmir were published in the "Times" correspondence column.

One, which was signed by Mr. S. T. Khan, President of the London Muslim League, criticised the admission of the Kashmiri representative to the Indian Constituent Assembly and said: "The questions of framing the future constitution of Kashmir and of the participation of its representatives in the framing of the constitution of the Dominion to which they accede can obviously arise only after the issue of the State's accession to India or Pakistan has been determined."

The writer also criticised the statements of Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, and others declaring that Kashmir would be part of India.

He said: "No one can quarrel with the right of Mr. Nehru and others to forecast the result of the plebiscite according to their wishful thinking, but unfortunately they appear to be bent upon presenting the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan with a fait accompli by delaying the eventual holding of a free and impartial plebiscite."

The other correspondent, the London editor of the Karachi paper "Dawn," also criticised the Kashmiri representation on the Constituent Assembly. He said that Kashmir consisted of Jammu, Poonch, Gilgit, Ladakh and the Valley of Srinagar. Most of the original Muslim inhabitants had been driven away from Jammu as refugees to West Punjab.

The writer said: "The question of the future of the Valley is the focal point in the dispute."—Reuter.

BRITISH ENVOY

London, September 19.

Mr. Patrick Stratford Scrivenor, Deputy Commissioner-General in South East Asia, has been appointed Minister in Bern.

Mr. Scrivenor, aged 52, succeeds Mr. Thomas Maitland Snow, who is retiring. He became Minister in Syria in 1947 and was appointed to South East Asia last year.

Earlier he held diplomatic posts at Warsaw, Cairo, Budapest, Addis Ababa, Ankara, Rome and Lisbon.—Reuter.

BRITISH RECORD

New York, September 19.

Britain is building nearly half the ships on order or under construction in the world, against only 4.8 per cent by the United States, a survey by the National Federation of American Shipbuilding showed.—Associated Press.

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PRESS REACTION TO POUND DEVALUATION

Step Caused By Sheer Necessity

London, September 19.

The newspapers of many countries today gave prominence to discussion of the international effects of Britain's action in devaluing the Pound. Comments quoted in Reuter despatches were as follows.

Paris—The veteran Socialist leader, M. Leon Blum, writing in the Party organ, "Le Populaire," declared: "The devaluation exceeds even the rate that the most ardent champion of devaluation expected."

M. Blum said that he had been surprised by the way Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, had changed his earlier opinion that a change in the pound-dollar rate would be undesirable, and also by the unilateral manner in which the change had been made.

"On the morrow of Strasbourg, when European solidarity is beginning to be sketched in roughly, an unexpected and redoubtable argument has been given to the sceptics. I feel a somewhat bitter regret on realising it," he wrote.

The right wing newspaper "Epoque" expressed the opinion that devaluation of the French franc and the Italian lire will be markedly inferior to that of the Pound.

The left wing Socialist organ "Combat" said: "It is believed that the devaluation of the franc will be accompanied by a change in the mechanism of exchange rates."

Fixed Rate?

"The present system of multiple exchange rates will be abandoned and replaced by a single fixed exchange rate, probably of about 350 francs to the dollar."

"Aurore" (right wing Radical) said: "The operation should be welcomed as being fairly widely profitable to French commerce and industry. But on two conditions: (1) That the new rates of exchange be solidly guaranteed; (2) That we play our part in the vast effort of international recovery, by putting our own affairs in order, cutting our public expense, generally balancing our State budget and lightening the burdens crushing enterprise."

New York—The "Herald-Tribune" said that the British Cabinet acted boldly and decisively in devaluing the Pound.

"The Atlas Government yielded to sheer necessity, but devaluation alone is not the answer to a flourishing export market." The newspaper added that some hardship would result for Britons and their self-discipline would once more be tested to make devaluation effective.

Not Substitute Measure

The "New York Times" said: "Devaluation is now aimed primarily at solving the contemporary equivalent to the 1931 gold standard problem—the fight from the Pound."

"It could be fatally foolish to assume that devaluation is in any sense a substitute for the drastic re-organisation of financial and economic policy needed to solve or even reduce the dimensions of the dollar problem," the newspaper said.

The "New York Journal of Commerce" said that the devaluation would benefit American businessmen but it would give them strong foreign competition.

The "Hague" said: "Sterling devaluation got input-page pro-

GERMAN CABINET SQUABBLE

Bonn, September 19.

The new German Republic's first Cabinet is still incomplete because of political bickering tonight, less than 24 hours before the first meeting.

Two separate squabbles delayed formation of the three-party right wing coalition Cabinet.

The Ministries of Interior and Agriculture were allotted by agreement to the CDU and its Bavarian wing, the Christian Socialist Union (CSU).

But up until tonight in a joint party caucus, they had been unable to agree among themselves on the nominees.

Dr. Adenauer pledged today that his Western German Government will work to the utmost for creation of a United States of Europe.

He termed federation as the only guarantee for Europe's peaceful development.

Dr. Adenauer, recently-elected Federal Chancellor of Western Germany, pledged his Government's support in a telegram from Bonn to the European Parliamentary Union opening its third Congress in Venice today.—Associated Press.

Appeal By Catholics In Austria

Vienna, September 20.

The Austrian bishops today appealed to Austrian Catholics to vote for the Right-wing People's Party in the October general elections.

In a pastoral letter published here, the Austrian episcopate said:

"In view of the far-reaching importance of the forthcoming general elections, which may decide the future and the fate of Austria, it is a duty of conscience for every Catholic to use his electoral rights."

Warning that anyone abstaining from voting would commit a severe sin, the declaration told Catholics not to vote for any candidate whom they believed would not guarantee the maintenance of Catholic principles.

Stating that Austrian freedom and welfare are at stake, the pastoral letter closed with the slogan: "Catholics vote for Catholics."

—Associated Press.

Nehru On Peaceful Kashmir Solution

Ambala (East Punjab), September 19.

The Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, said here today that India would, for a variety of reasons, prefer Kashmir to continue to remain with India, but the final decision could only be made by the people of Kashmir.

Mr. Nehru, who was addressing a press conference before his departure to New Delhi, added: "If you clearly examine all the commitments we have made during the last one and a half years and the resolutions we have accepted, we always have laid stress on two facts."

"Firstly, that the decision of the people of Kashmir must finally decide the issue and we shall accept that decision, whether it is to our liking or not."

"Secondly, that we are going to take no risks and lay open the country to an unscrupulous invader."

"Hence our insistence on the disbandment of the so-called Azad Kashmir forces before we withdraw our forces."

Declaring that an assurance to the effect that the Azad Kashmir forces would be disbanded given by the United Nations Kashmir Commission in their talks with the Government of India last year, Mr. Nehru added: "That is why a question like that is not open to arbitration because that involves the re-opening of something that has been settled by an assurance to us, and because it involves our own assurance and honour."

"Nobody is going to arbitrate where our honour is concerned. Generally speaking, as we have made it clear that we are not opposed to arbitration in principle, but arbitration must be on specific points which do not include questions which we consider as basic and settled and involve our own assurance and honour."

"Apart from that we quite gladly welcome any attempt, at arbitration."

Stating that India's case in the dispute with Pakistan on the question of the canal water of Punjab rivers was a good case, Mr. Nehru said:

"We have offered repeatedly to the Pakistan Government to settle it by mutual consultation."

"But our experience has been that it is very difficult to deal with the Pakistan Government on such matters."

"They do not wish to comment themselves, and if and when any commitment is made it is unmade later."

"I am prepared to say definitely on behalf of our own Government that we do not want to settle any matter between India and Pakistan by the sword."

"We are prepared to submit to any peaceful method."

"Asked about his forthcoming visit to the United States, Mr. Nehru said that he was eagerly looking forward to it.—Reuter.

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CHANCELLOR DEFENDS DEVALUATION MOVE: EFFECT ON EXPORTS

London, September 19.

Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said today that Britons must redouble all their efforts to export goods now that the Pound has been cheapened.

Reviewing the results of the Washington dollar talks, the Chancellor told a news conference: "We agreed to create appropriate incentives to export to the dollar areas and make a vigorous attack on production. Well, we have created the incentive all right."

The Pound is now officially worth 2.80 dollars compared with the previous 4.03 dollars. The British hope this will stimulate exports by lowering the selling price of British goods.

Sir Stafford tossed out what could be interpreted as a hint that the Labour Government intends to soften its attitude toward private industry. "We realise" he said, "that conditions have changed in the matter of capital investment, and that we must study the problems of incentive and suitable environment to capital investment."

The Labour Party has already nationalised such things as the railways and coal mines. It is in the process of taking over the iron and steel industry. This has made investors, particularly from abroad, wary of risking their money in Britain.

Sir Stafford warned the British not to expect export miracles from devaluation.

"I have never suggested anything of the sort," he said. "I think that in a period of time, we shall increase our exports. This is fairly clear from the reaction in America already."

He said that foreign buyers need not need any further cut in the Pound.

Capital Investment

Sir Stafford said that the Government will probably cut Britain's spending for capital investment next year. The Treasury has the right to limit this type of spending and to channel it into such things as new equipment.

He evaded a question—whether devaluing the Pound will force a reduction in food imports from America and Canada.

"The whole object of what we have done" is to increase trade on both sides," was his answer.

Sir Stafford defended his optimism over the Washington financial decisions and the devaluation of Sterling.

Confidently facing over 400 world newsmen, he declared that by devaluing the British Government had provided the big incentive to exporters which he had promised in Washington.

"Sir Stafford said he had not suggested the devaluation of Sterling would show an immediate increase in exports to dollar countries but he believed an increase would come in time and that belief was borne out by United States reaction to devaluation."

Ultimate End

"We hope that the ultimate end of this will be a higher volume of trade from Britain and Europe to Canada and America and from them back across the Atlantic," Sir Stafford said.

He declared that Britain would cut neither defence nor social services expenditure as part of her economies in Government spending.

"All that remains is administrative expenditure," he said. "Sir Stafford said he had changed his mind about devaluation on his return from his recent convalescence in Switzerland."

He reviewed the position then and realised that something had to be done.

The dollar-stirling problem had been dealt with by temporary expedients, followed by a series of rises as each expedient became exhausted. "We realise that is not enough," Sir Stafford said.

Joint Problem

He had sensed a feeling in many quarters that the Washington talks had not produced any concrete result.

His satisfaction had been criticised as being slightly overdone. But, he said, the communique after the Washington talks had been issued with the knowledge of the impending devaluation.

The Washington talks had been successful because they had been

aimed at a joint solution of the dollar problem.

The Chancellor declared that the whole point of the Washington talks was full recognition that to succeed in reaching a long-term solution of the dollar problem it must be regarded as a joint problem requiring joint action.

The greatest contribution to this had been the arrangement for continuing consultation at high level.

Benefit To All

Sir Stafford said that the United States, Canada and Britain had recognised that the



SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS

Pound Sterling and the dollar were in a predominant position in the trading world.

He believed that not only Britain but every trading country would benefit from the decision made at Washington.

Questioned on details of the Government's plans for cutting domestic expenses, Sir Stafford said: "We shall not be able to cut on defence. We shall not cut the social services. What remains is administrative expenditure and we shall economise there wherever possible."

The British Government would do everything it could to assist and stimulate private enterprise to go out after dollars, he said.

—Associated Press and Reuters.

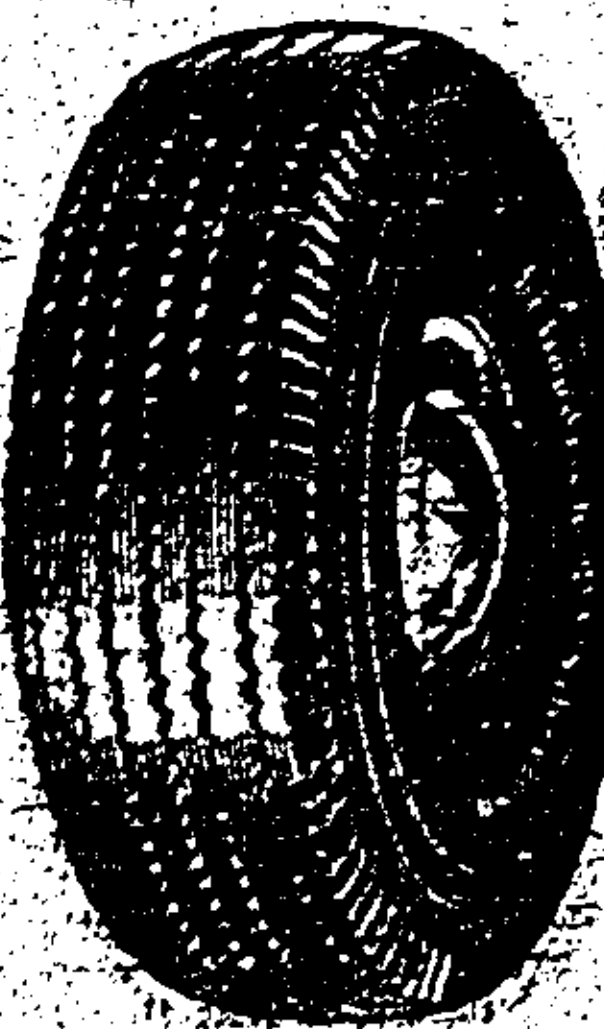
MOSLEM'S TOUR

Baghdad, September 19. Chaudhury Khaliqzaman, President of the Pakistan Moslem League, left here by air today for Tehran after a five-day visit.

He is touring the Middle East to see whether the "brotherly feeling" among the Moslems there is strong enough to weld them into a united Islamism.—Reuters.

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Eighteen Dead In French Plane Crash

Paris, September 19. Eighteen were killed today in a French Air Force plane which burst into flames on landing at Brazzaville, French Equatorial Africa.

One of the victims was Dr. G. J. Stefanopoulos, the chief yellow fever expert at the Pasteur Institute in Paris.—Reuters.

BORNEO STRIKE ENDED

Batavia, September 19.

The Indonesian Republicans today agreed after negotiations with the Dutch, to end the general strike that has paralysed the South Borneo coast for 20 days.

Believable Dutch sources said one-third of the Government employees have returned to work and several shops had re-opened. As a precautionary move, however, Dutch troops are guarding dumps at Masin, capital of South Borneo.

Meanwhile, 73 members of the fanatic religious group of Darul Islam were reported to have been killed in the vicinity of Tasikmalaya, West Java, as Dutch troops continued the drive to destroy them.

The strike was broken as a result of an agreement reached between the Dutch Resident, A.G. Deelman, and the Indonesian commander, Lieutenant-Colonel Hasan Harsi, last Wednesday.

The official text of the agreement, released today, said the Republicans' further agreed to end their illegal system in South Borneo, cease hindering shipment of food supplies and cease inciting Government employees to strike.

—United Press.

Satellite Nations To Be Accused

Washington, September 19.

The United States today served notice on Bulgaria, Rumania and Hungary that they would be arraigned before the United Nations on charges of violating the human rights clauses of their World War II peace treaties.

U.S. officials say that Britain and France are taking similar steps.

The State Department released the text of a note sent to Rumania and said similar notes had been to Hungary and Bulgaria. They dealt with the refusal of the Soviet satellites to accede to American demands for the establishment of commissions to consider treaty violation charges.

The United States charged that the religious and political trials in the three states constituted violations of treaty obligations to preserve freedom of speech, religion and political association.

As for Rumania's counter-claim that the United States had sought to impugn her sovereignty, the note stated that it was "manifest that the sovereignty of Rumania is limited by Rumania's clear international obligations."

Everything said to Rumania was repeated to Bulgaria and Hungary in separate notes to them, officials said. Issues involved in the dispute include the trial of Cardinal Mindszenty in Hungary, the trial of Protestant clergymen in Bulgaria, the trial of opposition leaders in Rumania, the elimination of opposition parties and press in all three states.

—United Press.

PHILIPPINES NOT WORRIED BY CHANGES

Washington, September 19.

Miguel Cuaderno, head of the Philippine Central Bank, said today that devaluation of the Pound and other currencies will not have damaging effects on Philippines overseas trade and domestic economy.

"We have nothing to worry about as a result of these currency changes," he told the Associated Press.

"Our money is sound and pegged to the dollar. As long as it is that way we are on firm ground."

Mr. Cuaderno deprecated Manila reports that the Islands' exports, especially jute and oils, might be hit by the cheapening currencies.

"On these two items we have a two cents a pound tariff differential," he said. "I believe that, and efficient production, will protect us from American purchases in the Sterling area."

However, Mr. Cuaderno and other Philippine delegates to the recent World Bank and Monetary Fund meeting conferred today with Ambassador Elgueta and other Embassy officials on the world monetary situation.

"We are watching the situation closely," but thus far we see nothing to cause us grave concern about the Islands' economic future," Minister Emilio Aguila told the Associated Press.

He and other participants in this conference declined, however, to disclose details of the discussion.

Mr. Cuaderno said: "Depreciation of the Sterling area currencies is favourable to the Philippines. It means that our purchases of rice, jute and other Sterling area products will cost less."

Mr. Cuaderno sees these currency developments as having little or no effect on the Philippine gold industry.

"If we sell gold to Sterling countries," he said, "we receive more Pounds, but the basic price remains US\$35 an ounce. Additional Pounds mean little to us."

FAROUK VISIT TO SPAIN

London, September 19.

King Farouk of Egypt will visit Spain in the near future, as the official guest of General Franco, Madrid Radio said tonight.—Reuters.

TOLL IN CANADIAN DISASTER

Toronto, September 19.

Red Cross officials today said they thought that most of the 84 people still unaccounted for after the pleasure ship disaster in Toronto Docks would be found safely at home in the United States.

The known death total is 121 and it is unlikely that it will reach the 200 mark predicted earlier, the officials said.

Divers searching a section in the stern of the vessel, the Noronic, have been unable to locate the "50 or 60 bodies" which some firemen believed had been trapped there.

Already, a few people who were believed to have died in the disaster, have turned up alive. Appeals are being made in American cities for survivors to come forward and report that they are safe.

A minor fire broke out in the Noronic last night although it had rained most of the day. The blaze was quickly put out and today divers are continuing their search for bodies.—Reuters.

KAREN TOWN CAPTURED

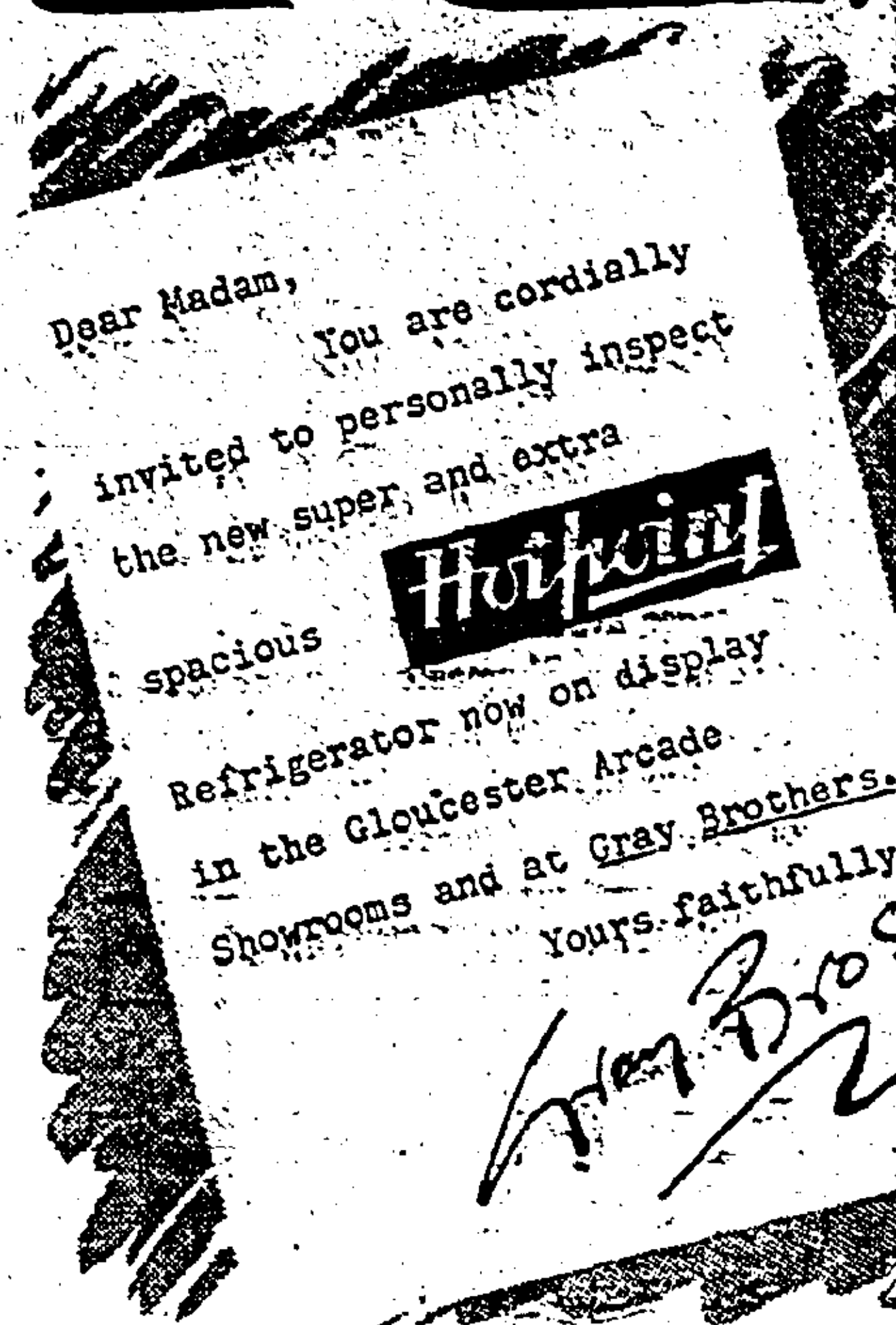
Rangoon, September 19.

Shan States forces have recaptured Lohm, an important Karen stronghold in the South-eastern Shan States, a military communique reported tonight.

The capturing forces were reported to be advancing along the road to Taunggyi, the State capital, which is about 40 miles to the West. Taunggyi fell to the Karens on August 13.

The communique also said that Karen concentrations in Pegu district, North of Rangoon, were heavily bombed and strafed by Government aircraft.—Reuters.

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RETURN OF HONOUR A BIG NEED

Paris, September 19.

Dr. Sarve J. Radhakrishnan, Chairman of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation's Executive Board, today told the fourth General Conference that the Organisation's great challenge was to restore care for the truth and a sense of honour among nations.

Dr. Radhakrishnan, in addition to his UNESCO post, is India's Ambassador to Russia.

In presenting the Director-General's report for 1949, he said: "The world is faltering and confused. The great need is our challenge. We must restore the scrupulous conscience, the care for truth, the sense of honour and beauty."

"Education, science and culture, respect for justice and freedom, these are the ideals to which is directed the long march of man."

Earlier he paid tribute to Dr. Jaime Torres-Bodet's outstanding personal contribution to the success of UNESCO as Director-General.

"UNESCO's mission can only be fulfilled if governments and national commissions wholeheartedly play their part. Unfortunately the activity of many member States does not extend beyond attendance at General Conference sessions."

"At the national level there is a breakdown in the means of implementation of the programme of UNESCO. This is an exceedingly grave danger to the whole future of the Organisation."

"Economic realities are more important than political ideologies," Dr. Radhakrishnan added.

"The scheme for technical assistance which is designed to raise the standards of living in the under-developed areas of the world will not only rebuild the world's shattered economy, but will also contribute to peaceful reconciliation."

Dr. Torres-Bodet told the Conference: "We are not merchants of day dreams." He called for a redoubled effort on the part of national commissions to bring UNESCO out of the blue-print stage. "I will not have it (UNESCO) regarded as a collection of symbols and illusions," he said.

He advocated an increase in the resources of trained men, materials and finances.—Reuters.

British Ban On Strasser

London, September 19.

Otto Strasser, a former German right wing politician, who during the war took refuge in Canada, will not be allowed to enter the British Zone of Germany, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

This follows the creation of a society in Western Germany named the "Friends of Otto Strasser" and the revival of political activity by Otto Strasser himself, who today contributed an article to a London morning paper.

The right to control the entrance to Germany of former politicians will be retained by the Western occupation powers after the Occupation Statute comes into force with the formal proclamation of the West German Federal Republic—which is expected today or tomorrow.

Otto Strasser is believed in official quarters in London to favour neo-Nazi political development of the new West German State.—Reuters.

BANDITS TAKEN

London, September 19.

The police have captured two members of Salvatore Giuliano's Sicilian bandit gang who confessed to murders, assistance in murders and other crimes, Rome Radio reported.

A special task force of 2,000 Sicilian police have unsuccessfully sought the "Bandit King" in the caves of the Sicilian mountains for almost five years.—Reuters.

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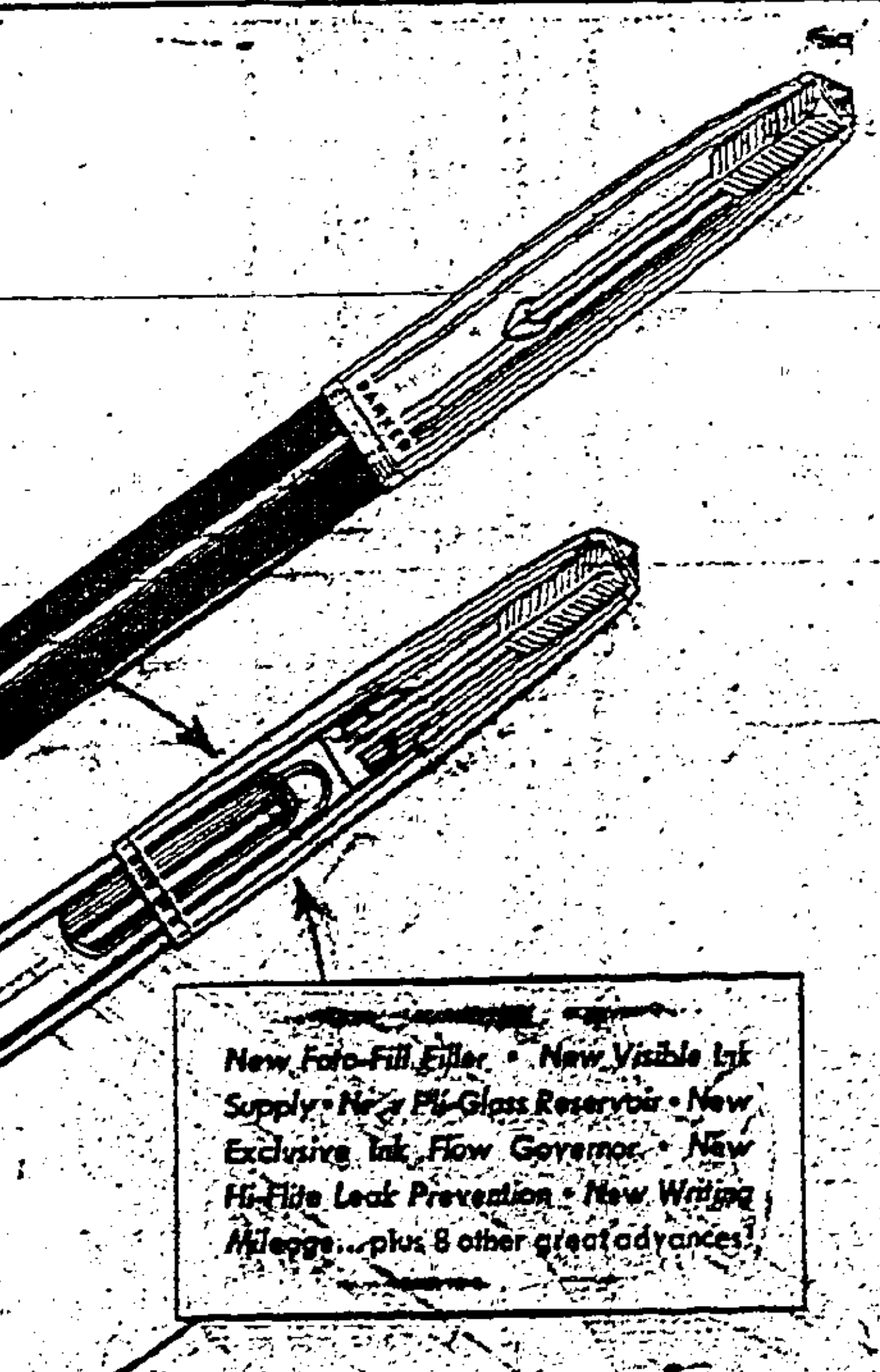
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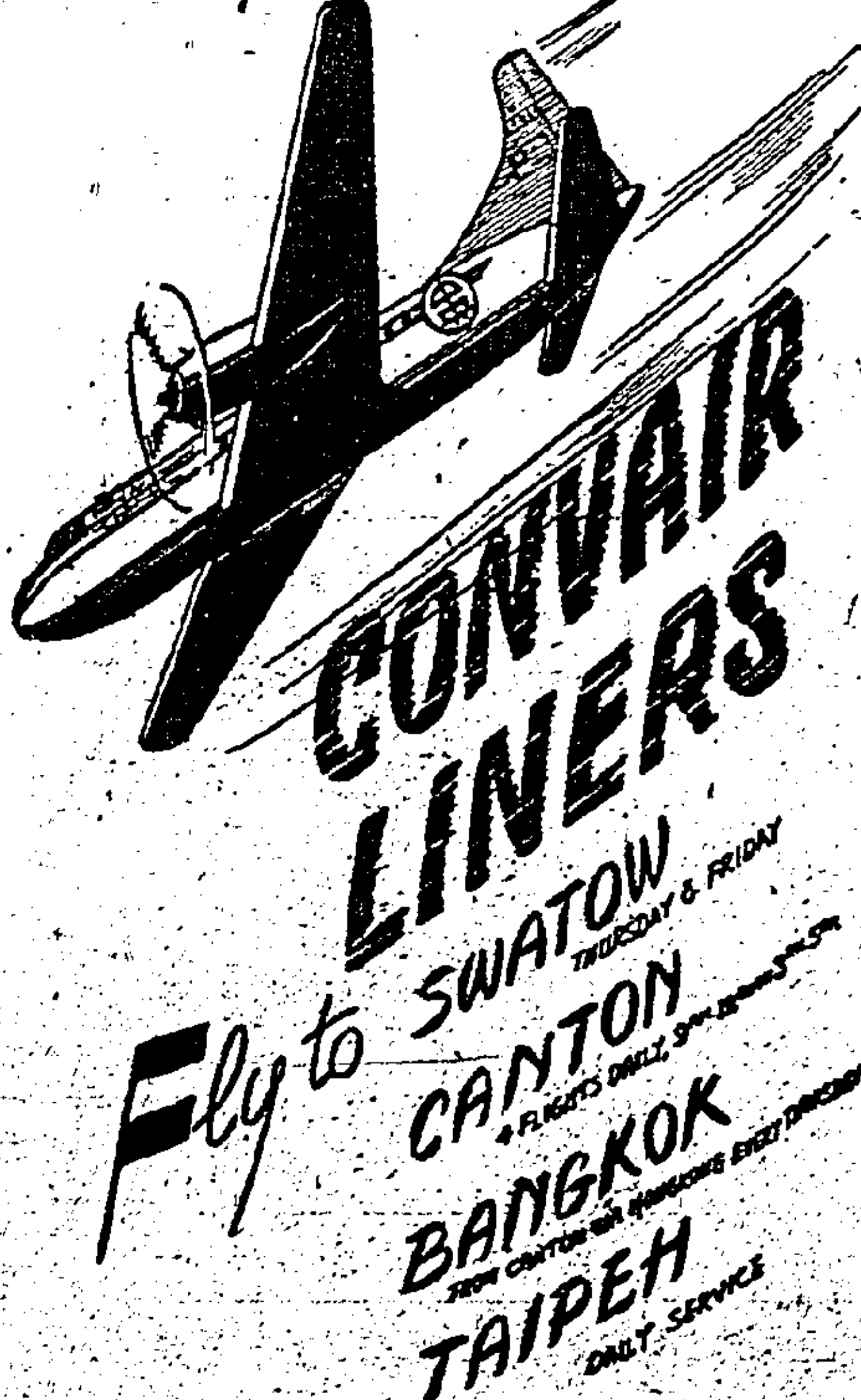
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KASHMIR

Since the plans for a conference between India, and Pakistan to discuss the truce arrangements in Kashmir broke down, we have had a series of accusations and counter-accusations between spokesmen of the two nations. Mr. Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, has been particularly talkative on the subject in the past few days, some of his statements emphasising India's desire for a peaceful solution of the dispute, and some containing just a hint of sabre rattling. On the whole, the situation looks bad. India wants the disbandment of the Azad Kashmir forces and the control by the Indian Army of the Northern districts of Kashmir. Pakistan rejects these demands outright.

India's claims in the North may well have seemed excessive to Pakistan. Except in the district of Ladakh, already in Indian hands, the territory is almost solidly Moslem. Apparently India's motive in seeking to extend its control in this region is to protect its trade routes to Central Asia. Whatever may be thought about India's case, Pakistan cannot be surprised at the demand put forward. Mr. Nehru in accepting the resolution of the United Nations Commission of August, 1948, reserved India's rights to discuss the future of the Northern territory. For the dispute over the Azad Kashmir forces, the other cause of the breakdown of negotiations, it seems that the United Nations commission must bear part of the responsibility. Before he accepted the August resolution Mr. Nehru received a letter from the chairman of the Commission indicating that the resolution involved the virtual elimination of the Azad Kashmir forces. But the Commission did not say the same thing to Pakistan, which has published an extract from a letter of the Commission of September, 1948, which reads: "The resolution does not contemplate the disarmament or disbanding of Azad Kashmir forces." Thus India and Pakistan have been divided by genuine misconception as to the proposals which each had accepted. In its zeal to compose the quarrel the Commission has been all things to all men.

What is to happen next? The Kashmir struggle is too dangerous to be allowed to drift on. There may now be a revival of the suggestion by some Kashmiri leaders that Kashmir should be declared independent of both Dominions. But how would it be governed? If there were popular elections there would be a struggle between the Muslim Conference and the National Conference. Inevitably the issue between the parties would be accession to India or accession to Pakistan. Thus the independence of Kashmir would be short-lived. The best hope is for arbitration over the truce arrangements by a nominee of the United Nations. This seems to have been the gist of the recent message from Mr. Truman and Mr. Acheson to both parties—a message which received a very cold reception in both countries.

To the outside world it seems more and more plain that there can be no satisfactory end to the quarrel except partition. If there is to be a plebiscite, it must be piecemeal, area by area. The difficulty is to draw the boundaries. One thing is certain. Any solution except compromise would not be a final solution. Neither side will ever accept the complete victory of the other.

Is There A
Conductor
Available?

By CECIL WILSON

Sir Adrian Boult, the conductor who looks like a Guards officer, has dropped a musical bombshell into Broadcasting House by deciding to retire next June.

It may sound a long time ahead, but by the standards Sir Adrian has set it leaves the BBC a small margin in which to find a new conductor for its Symphony Orchestra.

For in these days conductors of the Boult calibre—good conductors who can also administer a great musical organisation—are rare indeed.

Retiring Age

Sir Adrian, who has conducted the orchestra since its birth 19 years ago, reached the retiring age of 60 last April. He agreed to stay on "as long as I am wanted" and to assist again in this year's "Proms."

The BBC also wanted him to celebrate the orchestra's coming-of-age—and his own as its conductor—by taking charge of its concert at the 1951 Festival of Britain.

Now someone else will have to be found, because Sir Adrian has decided to look for an outside conducting job.

Who will replace him at the head of what is considered the world's sixth-best orchestra? The BBC is searching the whole field of serious music to find an answer.

Ideal Choice

Sir John Barbirolli would be the ideal choice from the age point of view (he is 49) and by virtue of his musical and administrative ability.

But he has already turned the offer down and chosen to stay with Manchester's Halle Orchestra on these conditions:

1. That the minimum pay of the Halle's 80 players is raised from £10 a week to £13;
2. That the orchestra's old bomb-wrecked home, the Free Trade Hall, is rebuilt as soon as possible, and once back there, the orchestra is increased from 80 to 100 players—four more than the BBC Symphony can boast.

Sir Thomas Beecham, at 70, is ruled out by the age limit.

Age also disqualifies Basil Cameron, who is 64.

Their Own

What of the BBC's own conductors? There is Ian Whyte, who conducts the 57-strong Scottish Orchestra, but he is too fond of his own country to be very willing to move.

And neither he nor Charles Groves, who conducts the 50 players of the Northern Orchestra, is yet considered quite a big enough name to lead an orchestra of international renown.

Stanford Robinson? Having only just taken charge of the BBC New Opera Orchestra he is fairly anxious to stay put there for some time.

Looking around outside again we see Sir Malcolm Sargent, but a man with his capacity, for work is in too great a demand.

Likely Lad

A likely lad—and at 35 he is a lad compared with most of his contemporaries—is Rafael Kubelick the son of the famous Jan and a conductor who in the past year or so has built up a fine reputation.

The BBC would prefer to find a Briton, but Kubelick is not expected to return to Czechoslovakia and is, in fact, applying for British papers.

Like Boult, he has the advantage of combining first-rate musicianship with an imposing appearance—and that, however much the musical purists may deplore it, counts a great deal.

Another man in the BBC's mind is George Weldon, who took over the Birmingham City Orchestra when Boult left for the BBC and has kept its reputation high ever since. He has a wide reputation as a good all-round conductor.

A Superman

Yes, you could think of quite a few more if you really got down to it, but the BBC needs a something of a musical superman—a kind of Sir Thomas Boult-Wood.

Preferably, he should combine a flash of Beecham's genius and platform presence, the musical thoroughness of Boult and the administrative flair of Sir Henry Wood.

Whoever is finally chosen will find an orchestra which has the advantage of regular employment and more rehearsal time than many a commercial orchestra can afford—plus, of course, the advantage of a permanent conductor. And that, as less fortunate orchestras, like the London Symphony, will tell you, is an immeasurable asset.

HIRED KILLERS SIGN ON
TO HELP CHIANG KAI-SHEK

By RICHARD HUGHES

Chiang Kai-shek has appointed General Hiroshi Nemoto to supervise his desperate "last-throw" plan to use Japanese air mercenaries against the Chinese Reds.

General Nemoto, aged 58, a tough, ruthless career soldier, was a friend of Generals Tojo, Matsui and Dohara (all hanged as war criminals). He was one of the leading "China specialists" of the former Imperial Japanese Army.

A broad, arrogant, moon-faced, shaven-headed officer, with huge spectacles, he has a bristling, Kirishito-style moustache, a high-pitched giggle and a voracious appetite for sake and whisky. He is the perfect Western caricature of the Japanese staff officer.

Coming from an obscure but prosperous farming family in Fukushima, he graduated at the Tokyo Military Academy in 1912, was appointed to the staff and in 1930 was a professor at the Japanese Army University.

He was a vigorous and violent advocate of Japanese expansion, and decided early to specialise on China affairs and was transferred to the China Planning Section of the staff office. In 1933 he went to Peiping as Japanese military attaché.

One of the 'Young Colonels'

He was one of the officers "behind the bamboo screen" who planned the China incident to launch Japan on her wild and fatal Asiatic adventure in consequence.

As one of the "young colonel group" he acted as adviser to the Japanese Army headquarters in North China, and was appointed Chief of the Army Press Section.

In charge of Japanese information and propaganda, in 1934. He became notorious for his contemptuous treatment of the foreign Press.

Tojo, who had great respect for Nemoto's knowledge of China and the Chinese, abruptly transferred him to the North China Liaison Bureau for Greater Asia, in Tokyo, ostensibly as deputy to the head of the bureau, a General Kito, now purged, for whom Tojo had little regard but who was popular with the Imperial Household.

Bureau headquarters were in the handsome Tokyo Kaikan Building, now a fashionable Occupation club. The massive, arrogant Nemoto was a familiar figure, downing dagnons of sake, gorging on his favourite Japanese sashimi (raw fish) and picking his teeth at one of the celebrated Western-style restaurants in the basement of the building.

Nemoto visited North China frequently to keep a coldly appraising eye on the local Japanese consular officers. He witnessed the ultimate fall of his patron, General Tojo, as defeat became inevitable. Nemoto was promoted to Lieut-General and was commander-in-chief of the North China Japanese army at surrender.

He returned quietly to Japan, justifiably fearing arrest as a "B" class war criminal, and like many other uneasy army and political leaders, retired modestly to his family farm.

Back In A New Uniform

The man who was directly responsible for the death and suffering of so many Chinese, has now, by a cynical quirk of Oriental expedience, been accepted by his

former arch-enemy Chiang Kai-shek, as ally and adviser.

Friends of Nemoto say that he is delighted to be back in uniform again—even if it is not his old Japanese army uniform.

Nemoto has no specialised knowledge of aviation, but was nominated for the position of C.O. of the Japanese mercenaries because of his China background.

Accompanied by six former staff officers in the Japanese air force, he left recently for Taiwan to set up headquarters for the unofficial Japanese expeditionary air force late in June.

He has since returned to Japan and is now organising the enrolment of 500 Japanese veteran flyers, who have volunteered to fight the Chinese Reds.

Some of the volunteers are going to Taiwan by fishing boat from Kyushu and Shikoku, but most are reliably reported, as being smuggled aboard cargo ships leaving Nagoya.

The Air Base In Taiwan

In Taiwan Nemoto has appointed Taro Kageyama, former crack Japanese pilot employed in war-time flying of generals and VIPs, as chief of training, briefing and operations.

Officially, Kageyama was chief Japanese organisation) during the war, with headquarters at Peiping. He remained in China after the war and was hired for similar important transport and ferrying missions by the Chinese National Government.

Kageyama's political adviser in Taiwan in Nemoto's absence, is the sinister figure Li Chung-guen, another "China hand" of the Imperial Japanese Army, whose real name is Masanobu Tsui and who was a Japanese staff officer in Burma at the end of the war. Disguised as a Buddhist priest he escaped to Bangkok and French Indo-China, and flew to Chungking, where he made his first suggestions for using Japanese troops against the Chinese Reds.

Already one-third of Chiang Kai-shek's allocation of 12 million U.S. dollars for the employment of this mercenary air force has been converted into yen on the Tokyo black market and lodged in Japanese banks.

Pay, Bonus And Expenses

General Chu Shih-ming, head of the Chinese mission in Tokyo, has offered former Japanese flyers 100,000 yen as a bonus for joining, 100,000 yen for uniform and clothing, 15,000 yen for travel expenses and 60,000 yen as monthly pay. (Ten thousand yen is average monthly pay in Tokyo these days.) In addition, families of pilots killed are guaranteed an indemnity of 1,500,000 yen.

Although all these inside details of the Japanese mercenary scheme are officially top secret, there is no suspicion that the American Occupation authorities are disposed to turn a blind eye.

Prime Minister Yoshida is embarrassed but disinclined to intervene—so long as he receives no orders to the contrary from the Occupation.

When General Wu, Chinese representative of Chiang Kai-shek, was recently in Tokyo, he privately sought an interview with the Japanese Prime Minister to discuss the scheme "off the record."

In typical Japanese fashion Prime Minister Yoshida was unfortunately but discreetly "indisposed" and could not see the general.



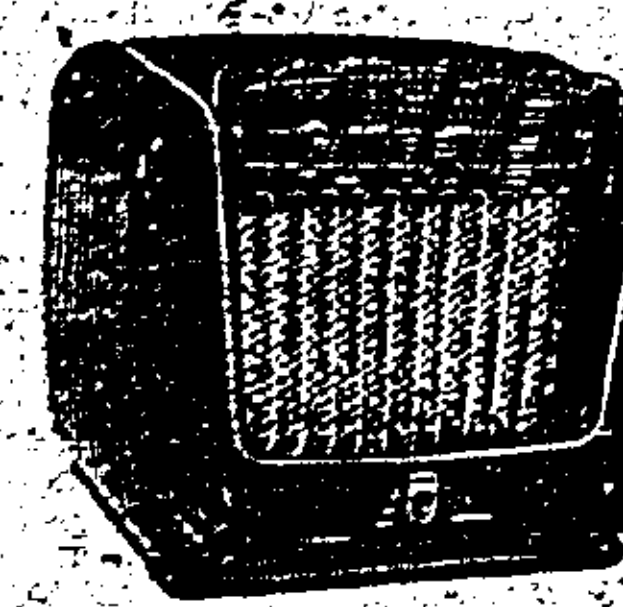
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"Manufacturers must increase exports, Cripps asks in appeal."

"A buffalo attacked and drove off a seven-foot tiger." I don't want to digress, but isn't it rather a tall story?

"Tydings speaks of heartening reports from China." Good tidings, if you can believe them.

An economist says our club cynic is a person who tells you what to do with your money after you've done something else with it.

The pound sterling has been devalued a long time ago, according to the people who pay supertax at Home. You may remember the story of the big manufacturer who received a bill for £100 from his dentist.

"He went to see him and said, 'pay 19/6d. in the £, so to pay your bill I must earn £4,000. It's fantastic. Now, you're in a big way of business yourself. Do you pay supertax?'"

"Yes," said the dentist. "So how much will you receive from my £100?"

"Oh, about £2.10s."

So they settled for a case of whisky.

Then there was the millionaire who tossed the cloakroom girl a sixpence.

"There's a pound for you," he grunted. "Minus tax."

"Mrs. Armstrong said she had hired the man to paint her house, and first decided to ask him to have a few drinks in the living room."

Well, it's one way to begin.

The Scotsman on a visit to New York was perhaps unduly impressed by the powerful talk he heard on all sides about things being the biggest in the world, etc. For a bit of peace and quiet he dropped into the Bronx Zoo, and stopping before one enclosure asked the attendant what the animal inside was.

"That's a moose," was the reply. "A moose!" said the Scot. "Hivvins! An' whitt might yer rats look like?"

Colonel: I'd like to talk to someone with a little authority here.

Private: Well, I'm your man. I've got as little authority here as anyone.

Long-whiskered man to bar acquaintance: "It all started about 10 years ago. You see, I have three daughters, and only one bathroom."

No need to elaborate.

"C. W. writes: What are the advantages of a woman aged 61 getting married for the first time?"

Reply: Companionship.

WORLD'S CURRENCIES FOLLOWING STERLING

Lower Rates Fixed By Many Countries BOOM IN GOLD SHARES

London, September 19.

The most obvious financial result of the new Sterling rate was the boom in gold shares—notably in London, South Africa and New Zealand.

In Johannesburg the change was hailed with satisfaction by the gold mining industry as a much needed relief.

First indications on British export prospects came from Canada, where it was widely predicted that British goods might undercut the home market.

But some Washington officials warned that the automatic price reductions of British exports to the United States would not by itself mean a great immediate boost in sales.

In Japan, sources in the Economic Stabilisation Board, which plans Japanese economic policy, predicted that devaluation would speed the conclusion of long-protracted Sterling trade talks by encouraging Sterling Area exports to Japan.

Swiss Government circles expressed optimism at the probable results of Britain's step, believing that while it would help the Sterling Area it would not seriously affect Swiss exports to Britain.

Reuter dispatches gave the following picture of world reaction to the new Sterling rate:

Argentina:—A report in the newspaper "La Nacion" that Britain would have to pay 30 per cent more for Argentine meat was not confirmed in usually well-informed circles tonight.

The newspaper had quoted the President of the National Economic Council, Dr. Ramon Jose Cereijo.

He said, according to the report, that under the terms of the recent Anglo-Argentine trade pact prices of meat and other Argentine products for Britain must be re-adjusted.

Responsible sources here believed that Dr. Cereijo may have been misunderstood.

Fixed Price

While the prices of other Argentine products shipped to Britain are subject to negotiation, this does not apply to meat, they said, since the price for the first year was fixed in the pact.

Further, the gold guarantee clause in the pact applied only to Sterling balances held by the Argentine Central Bank.

The Economic Minister, Dr. Robert Ares, told reporters that prices of Argentine goods for Britain would be adjusted in direct proportion to the devaluation of Sterling.

Germany:—The new West German Government at Bonn will discuss the devaluation question at its next meeting.

The Central Council of West German banks will also meet to consider the position.

Western licensed newspapers saw devaluation as an unpopular but highly necessary step and agreed that the West-mark could be expected to follow shortly.

Financial circles in Berlin believe that the West-mark would be devalued to a rate of between 4.20 and 4.30 to \$1. The dollar stood at 8.50 marks in Hamburg today.

Dutch To Follow

Spain—Financial circles said that Spain was interested in first watching what other countries would do about devaluation, but an announcement on her new attitude was expected later today.

Devaluation of Sterling gave Spain an opportunity for devaluing the peseta "graciously" if she wanted to, they added.

All foreign currency transactions, except in dollars, Swiss francs and Portuguese escudos, were suspended today until further notice.

Holland—The Dutch Cabinet decided its attitude at a long meeting this morning, after a statement last night that it felt itself compelled to take the same or similar steps as Britain.

Immediately after presenting his budget tomorrow afternoon, the Finance Minister, Pieter Lefink, will make a statement to the Second Chamber, and in the evening he will broadcast.

In Amsterdam it was learned today that the Stock Exchange there would resume normal work on Wednesday.

The Netherlands Federation of Trades Unions, N.V.V., urged the Cabinet today to prohibit price-raising without official permission. British tourists in Holland have so far found little difficulty.

Banks were interpreting their currency instructions liberally to help visitors.

Syrians Not Affected

Syria—The Syrian Finance Minister announced today that the devaluation of the Pound Sterling did not entail the devaluation of the Syrian currency, which was based on gold.

The new rate for Sterling becomes 613 Syrian piastres instead of the previous 883.

All banks have suspended exchange operations pending a Government statement.

Switzerland:—The Swiss Federal Council today told the British Government that the present gold parity will be maintained despite Sterling devaluation.

Earlier in the day all foreign exchange business between the Swiss franc, Sterling and the French franc was suspended.

The Swiss Bourse was expected to set a new rate for the Swiss franc of 12.05 to the Pound compared with last week's official rate of 17.35.

Government circles thought Switzerland's exports to Britain—mostly high-grade goods—would not be seriously affected by the change in Sterling.

Tourist Trade

These circles were uncertain whether or not they would lose more than 30 per cent of the £15,000,000 loan still owed by Britain.

At the time of the loan the Swiss asked for a devaluation clause but this was refused.

But it was thought that Sterling devaluation would have a disastrous effect on the country's British tourist trade, and it was expected that Switzerland would ask for a review of an Anglo-Swiss trade agreement which allowed a maximum of £4,000,000 for British tourists' expenditure in the country in the 12 months beginning last May.

United States—American officials forecast still greater increases in overseas travel by American tourists as a result of devaluation.

The Wall Street Journal declared that globe trotting at a 30½ per cent discount should prove attractive.

On the New York Stock Exchange, Sterling devaluation was reflected by an opening burst of selling before trading slowed to a routine pace.

On the industrial side, foreign currency devaluations were expected to reduce drastically all demands for United States copper, lead and zinc.

Cheaper Cars

The American press gave prominence to the devaluation news.

An important New York dealer in British motor-cars cut prices 20 per cent following devaluation.

The cut was made by Fergus Motors in anticipation of a reduction by manufacturers by that much.

The British Singer was reduced from \$2,150 to \$1,650, the Vanguard from \$2,350 to \$1,850 and the Triumph from \$4,150 to \$3,500.

Most dealers in British cars expected to increase sales substantially.

"There was no immediate announcement of reductions in the lower-priced British cars.

Brazil—It was understood here that the President of the Republic, General Eurico Gaspar Dutra, would meet the Finance Minister, Manoel G. Da Silveira Filho, who is also President of the National Bank, to discuss the new relationship between the cruzeiro and the Pound Sterling.

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CONFUSION, HOPE, FEAR IN THE UK

London, September 19.

A wide range of basic commodity stocks boomed today in the first frantic reaction to Pound devaluation and the world monetary shake-up.

While common folk feared harder times, brokers rushed to buy shares in commodities the world always needs—rubber, tin, cotton, copper—and in speculative gold, hoping to safeguard their devalued money.

There was hope, fear and confusion in homes and Government and financial quarters throughout Europe, Asia and Africa.

Pressure continued for wage increases—which Sir Stafford Cripps has ruled out, arguing they would raise production costs in Britain and therefore raise the price of export commodities that must bring Britain dollars.

"The cost of living can be expected to rise by six or seven per cent in the near future," said the Shop Stewards' Council of the Engineering and Allied Trades, representing 3,000,000 workers who want another Pound a week.

London railwaymen tonight voted to "go slow" from midnight on Wednesday to press a demand by their union—the 450,000-strong National Union of Railwaymen—for an overall 10 shillings a week wage rise.

The decision, which was taken at a meeting of delegates representing 100,000 London and suburban railwaymen, is the first workers' reaction to the "work harder for the same pay" appeal by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The decision will be one of the important factors before the General Council of the 8,000,000-strong Trades Union Congress when it meets here tomorrow to consider the economic situation in the light of the revaluation of the Pound.

Rubber prices in London today jumped to their highest levels for almost a year.

2d. per pound higher than the pre-revaluation levels.

After an initial uncertainty, prices followed the trend of those in Singapore, and this afternoon the October-December delivery, Grade 1, rubber was quoted at 13-3/8d per pound against 11-1/4d at the close of the market on Friday.

In Singapore, at the opening of business today, rubber prices jumped eight cents. Selling was at between 44 and 45 cents per pound compared with about 37 on Saturday.

A leading Singapore broker told Reuter the expectations were that the devaluation of the Pound would operate to the trade's profit.

The Singapore Government had not yet made any formal announcement on devaluation, but one was expected shortly. All banks in Singapore were closed today.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Fortunes Made

Gold shares were hoisted as much as 63 per cent over pre-devaluation levels.

Kandontien, one of the companies expected to benefit most from the higher Sterling gold price, soared to 27s. 9d. from Friday's level of only 17s.

Among higher-priced shares, West Wits jumped by 12s. 9d. to 70s., and Consolidated Goldfields went up to 75s., an increase of 12s.

DEATH OF SCOTS MAGNATE

Edinburgh, September 19.

Sir William J. Thomson, aged 68, former Lord Provost of Edinburgh and Chairman and Managing Director of the Scottish Motor Traction Company, died today.

He built up the company in 1905. He sold his transport business for more than £10,000,000 in 1949 when the Government nationalised transportation in Britain.—Associated Press.

APPOINTMENTS IN GERMANY

Frankfurt, September 19.

Mr. John J. McCloy, United States High Commissioner for Germany, today announced that he has appointed Major-General George P. Hays, as Deputy High Commissioner, and Mr. Benjamin J. Buttenwieser, as Assistant High Commissioner.

To accept this post, Mr. Buttenwieser resigned his partnership in the New York banking firm of Kuhn, Leeb and Company.—Reuter.

Pound Selling Over The Official Rate

New York, September 19.

The Pound Sterling on the foreign exchange market here today sold at \$2.82½—2½ cents above the official exchange figure for immediate delivery.

Dealings in the early afternoon reflected unusually heavy commercial buying of Sterling.

In later dealings holders of Sterling were asking four cents over the official rate, and bids were \$2.83—three cents above the rate.

It was the first time in years that such a premium was ever paid above the official spot Sterling parity.

In recent years deliveries occasionally obtained a premium of 1/8th of a cent at the most above the official rate.

Today's strong demand seemed largely because of insufficient holdings. Some United States buying commitments which have been shelved for many months until the actual announcement of devaluation were also responsible.

There was no official comment in banking circles. The unofficial belief was that the premium would be short-lived.—Reuter.

WILD SCENES IN THE CITY: RUSH FOR GOLD

London, September 19.

A shouting mass of stock-brokers and speculators buying gold shares in an unofficial street market following devaluation of the Pound Sterling blocked roads in the Stock Exchange area today.

The Stock-Exchange was closed by order of the Treasury but financiers flocked all morning to the streets outside to cash in on unofficial deals in gold shares.

Fortunes were made in minutes amid the craziest scenes witnessed in the financial hub of the City since before the war.

Shouting jobbers added tens of millions of pounds to the market value of gold mining, industrial and oil shares.

Two thousand brokers, jobbers and clerks shouted prices the length of Throgmorton Street. The noise was terrific.

Free State Goldfields jumped 15 shillings. Ashanti jumped 10/8d. Venterspost jumped 11½d. Anglo-Iranian Oil went up 11/10thd.

Rubber and tin also shot up. No unofficial dealings were reported in gilt-edged securities.

The Financial Times' Index was compiled unofficially after a check of street sales: 110.1; up 1.9.

THE WAY OPEN FOR TRADING

Washington, September 19.

The Marshall Plan Administrator, Mr. Paul Hoffman, said today that the round of currency devaluations, started by Britain, has cleared the way for Europe to revive her trade and attain full economic recovery by the middle of 1952.

Mr. Hoffman told a news conference the devaluation measures had broken the economic logjam that was preventing European recovery. If Britain failed to act, he said, the world would have fallen into three warring trade blocs—the Soviet group, the dollar group and sterling.

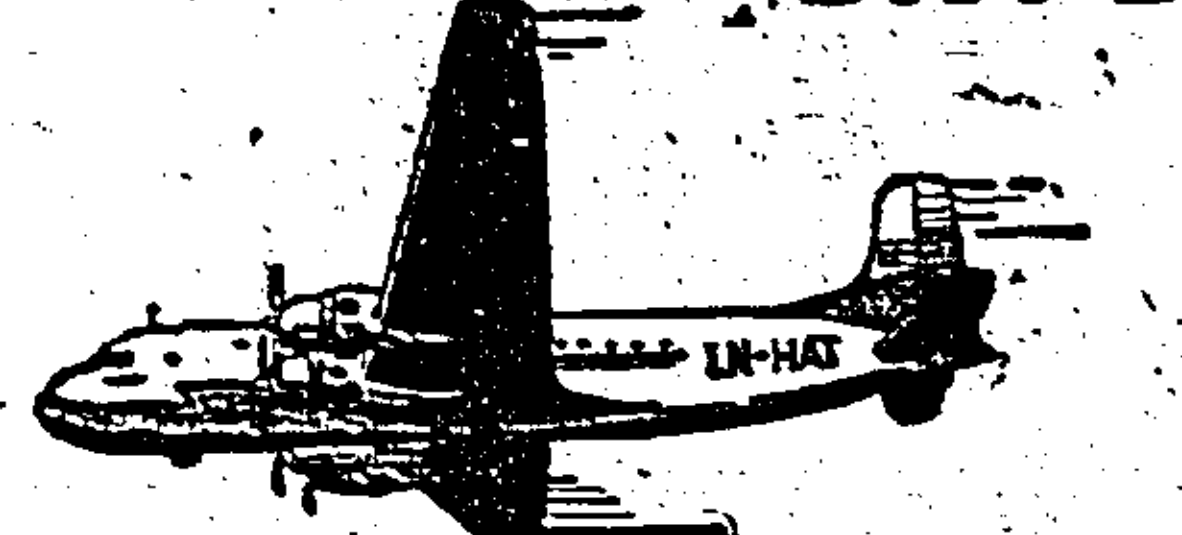
"In my opinion, this would have been the greatest setback the European recovery programme could have suffered, since only a united Western world can hope to achieve permanent recovery in Europe."

Mr. Hoffman made his optimistic forecast to the trade union delegation from Denmark, which was one of the countries which devaluated their currencies with Britain.

He believes the devaluation move will break down existing trade barriers and start a freer flow of goods inside Europe.

"The greater the freedom of movement of those goods, the more successful will be the Marshall Plan of aid to Europe," he said.—United Press.

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INFLUENCES OF MANY COUNTRIES HELP SET STYLE IN NEW YORK

By **BARBARA E. SCOTT FISHER**

Some 22 ready-to-wear houses have just completed press-showings of their fall and winter collections under the auspices of the New York Dress Institute.

Besides these, among others, ready-to-wear collections have been shown by Castillo of Elizabeth Arden, Sophie Originals of Saks Fifth Avenue, Lilly Dache, and Gallagher Men, Inc., a new house specializing in a seasonal fabric designed by Louis Barne Gallagher.

As the most prolific fashion centre in the world, it is only natural that the names of the designers of these houses have become bywords with women of fashion.

People who evaluate clothes recognise a Claire McCardell model at a glance. Clean-cut, casual typically American in feeling and design, this season she stresses a pointed bandana neckline and a bandana collar which doubles frequently for a bodice and dresses with companion capes or stole-jackets which continue this triangular line in silhouette.

Slim, Yet Rounded

Close on her heels for clothes of equal American charm and distinction is the collection Brigance designs for Charles Nudelmann, the first to be coordinated by this designer exclusively for one establishment. Dresses are slim, yet rounded. Shoulders natural, supported with deftly handled padding.

Coats in the Brigance design lean to small tidy collars, adaptable affairs which are equally effective open or closed. Princess coats, those with belted backs, as well as those cut with a loose, slender line indicate the exit of the voluminous flare.

Tina Leser's designs intrigue because she has a way of embracing the whole world in these adaptations. These include the kimono neckline straight from Japan, its typical flat fold finishing the surplice crossing, street dresses with padded short jackets like those worn in North China, slit-front Syrian aprons from Damascus over bright silk wool dresses; linen blouses worn with woollens, skirts and jackets woven in checkerboard patterns, a light touch from the French court in costumes with cutaway coats for daytime and theater wear. All come in fabrics and colours to make your head swim.

In suit and coats the label of Philip Mangote has always represented the tradition of his background, fine Italian tailoring. In the panel back on coats and suit skirts, in the three-piece cape suit, the cape rather on the short, narrow side, as well as the bloused look in both coats and suits.

Coat As A Frame

Monte Sano and Pruzan declare and demonstrate their idea that the coat must frame the figure. This is true of both their dressy spectator coats which often feature Linton tweeds, and of great coats of soft chinilla cutaway with supple lines through the armholes.

Bringing out a new line of ballerina toppers, Mr. Monte Sano indicates his belief in these useful short coats. He says, “They are here to stay.”

Two new fabrics are used by Herbert Sontheim in presenting his always definite and to the point collection. Both are dull of texture. One is a crisp fine-ribbed bengaline called “crepe ottomane”, and the other, a crease-proof twist yarn crepe. Both are used interestingly to develop those fine basic dresses

women find indispensable. The fabrics drape, well, and lend themselves to the snug-fitting high necklines and tight sleeves Mr. Sontheim features with such distinction. In pewter shades, seal brown, and black, these neutral shades carry over from daytime ensembles to evening gowns, many of which continue ankle-length.

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Cocoon Silhouette

This season Trigere again advances the tightly clasped cocoon silhouette both in finger-tip lengths in black plush, and in a cape of black tweed lined with vivid red silk satin. After the tail wear—coat in charcoal-checked fleece, lined with gold-toned wool-jersey, is effective above a wool jersey dress of slim proportions in the same colour. She continues her short domino coat and brings into the limelight also street-length evening coats sufficiently simple to wear above short, gold-tissue theater dresses and little black-satin theater suits.

As usual, Estelle Carnegie's collection overflows with clothes which enchant both the wearer and the beholder, from her celebrated “little suits” this season with tiny finger-tip pockets, to the last word in dazzling ball gowns in satins, brocades, and laces of lace gold, a mad Madrid

Black is back

IT IS THE “COLOUR” OF fashion for Summer 1949.

Scarcity of dyes during the war meant that black was “out.” Now women have rediscovered the sheer flattery of black under a clear blue sky for off-setting a sun-tanned or peaches-and-cream complexion.

But it's not just that “little black dress” any more. That “little black costume,” that “little black play suit,” and even that “little black swim suit” are all starred for the sun.

Black linen, cool and urban, is a favourite for dresses with cool square Dior necklines. Silky rayon, shantung and poplin are a choice for dressmaker suits with faintly bloused backs, white sleek rayon and satin make swim suits that glisten like sealskin in the sun after a bath.

It is elegant to wear black by itself. It is even more elegant to electrify it with a single note of contrast.

At a recent dress show I noted a tailored black suit with an eggshell hat in white pique; a black cocktail dress with floating chiffon skirt and a belt in which was stuck one enormous romantic pink silk linen dress, big pocketed, and with a duck-egg blue scarf in the neckline.

And since it has become the thing to wear a suit with the neckline filled in with a row of white or coloured beads, many stores are selling ropes of chalk-white beads, nearly two feet long,

red, and her own appealing Carnegie blues.

“Ben” Rice likes a dash of old Spain and in costumes with old Spanish romantic touch you trace the hand of Omar Kiam, who grew up just this side of the Mexican border, in Galveston. He likes “old-time” and art of peacock fanails and garters in black crepe dresses, as Argentina flaunted them in her Spanish dances. Many bone buttons, the spiral sheath—gown, and the smooth-silken—art—Spanish influence while, for evening excitement, the filmy black of Spanish mantilla laces completes this picture.

In his first ready-to-wear collection for Elizabeth Arden, Carnegie also pointed out his affinity with a Spanish background. In his delicate use of uncrustations of black velvet filigreed in fanciful designs on afternoon and evening dresses as Velasquez might have painted them. Inverted fullness gives fluid curves and long lines to his dresses and coats.

Flared Calyx Skirt

He uses the calyx skirt flared at the hem, the flannel overskirt to achieve contrast between flaring and slim lines. Black chiffon both so flattering to feminine skin tones, pale chalk blues and ivory satins and Titian reds are scattered through the collection. Marvellous coats to wrap about you, one with a long-sleeved to crush about your throat, another with bloused deep-pleated back, stand out.

Lilly Dache, with a milliner's feeling for detail, brings an enchanting black satin ribbon dress to the centre of the fashion stage. Ela introduces an interesting alpaca fabric which has no relation to the shiny old-fashioned textile. This has the feeling and look of faille, and is perfect for the graceful one-piece dress with the two-piece look which she designs, as well as for the very popular coat dress. Winter lace on winter taffeta, with its



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Devaluation In Many Countries

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Lisbon Uncertain

France:—The franc was devalued tonight from 330 to the dollar to 350. The rate for the Pound Sterling was fixed at 980 francs instead of 1,097.

This was officially announced following tonight's emergency Cabinet meeting.

Portugal:—The Bank of Portugal ordered all currency transactions to be suspended until further notice.

Financial circles said that they had so far no idea whether Portugal would devalue the escudo.

Israel:—Israel banks conducted business as usual after last night's announcement that the dollar exchange rate for the Israel Pound had been reduced from \$3 to parity with the Pound Sterling at \$2.80.

Colombia:—Senator Rose Maria Bernal, the Finance Minister, told reporters that Colombia would not devalue her money, whatever sacrifices had to be made.

Belgian Franc "Solid"

Belgium:—The Belgian Prime Minister, Gaston Eyskens told reporters in Brussels today that the Belgian franc was solid—based on an almost constantly favourable balance of trade.

M. Eyskens revealed that at Belgium's request, a meeting of Benelux Ministers would be held in Luxembourg on October 15.

"In the event of the devaluation of the Dutch currency," he said, "Benelux problems can take on a new aspect."

Italy:—Authoritative Italian sources forecast devaluation of the lira to bring it into line with most other Western European countries by Wednesday.

Speculation fixed the new rates at approximately 650 lire to the dollar and 1,800 to the Pound Sterling—a reduction of 10 to 20 per cent.

Today, the free market rate of dollars rose to 675 lire in Rome and Milan. The Pound fell from last week's average of around 1,700 lire to about 1,600.

Smuts' Cautious

South Africa:—The Union Government decided today to freeze the buying and selling prices of all goods not subject to price control, until the country had adjusted itself to the new monetary position.

The increased price of gold in terms of the devalued South African Rand means that the existing level of gold production, previously worth about \$100,000,000 a year, will be worth about \$144,000,000 on the basis of \$35 an ounce.

General Jan Smuts, South African Opposition leader, approved the decision to devalue the Union Pound, but said that the change might produce inflation if profits and wages were not kept in check.

Sweden:—Sweden tonight devalued the Crown at a new rate of 5.15 to the dollar as against 3.60.

The rate between the Crown and the Pound Sterling will remain unchanged at 14.50 Crowns, an official communiqué said.

Denmark:—The Danish Finance Minister, Mr. H. C. Hansen, said that the Danish Government was not considering freezing wages following the devaluation.

An increase of about four per cent in the cost of living was expected.

Norway's Cost Of Living

Norway:—A similar increase in the cost of living was expected in Norway, which also followed Sterling.

It was officially stated that the country's whole system of price subsidies would have to be revised before long.

Czechoslovakia:—A Czech National Bank spokesman announced a new rate for the Czechoslovak Crown against Sterling of 138.5 for cash and 140.42 for goods, with an unchanged rate of 50 to the dollar.

Czechoslovakia thus refused to go along with the devaluation of Western currencies.

The Crown rate had hitherto been 200 to the Pound. By reducing the number of Crowns buyable with a Pound Sterling, Czechoslovakia, far from devaluing, has appreciated the official value of the Crown against the Pound.

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Czech Pilots Escape To Germany

Frankfurt, September 19. Two Czech Air Force pilots have escaped by plane from Prague to a U.S. air base in Germany.

They landed in a light training plane at Erding Field in Bavaria last week-end and requested the American Air Force to withhold their names and whereabouts from the public, apparently because of fear for the safety of their families whom they had left behind.

The U.S. Air Force headquarters put a 48-hour embargo on the news, ending late today.—Associated Press.

CHANCES OF PEACE IMPROVE

New York, September 19. Carlos P. Romulo, chief Philippine delegate to the United Nations and leading contender for President of the Fourth General Assembly, said today: "The climate for peace is more favourable now than at the last session in Paris."

The only candidate opposing General Romulo for the post is Dr. Charles Malik of Lebanon, head of the UNESCO. Pakistan's Foreign Minister, Zafarullah Khan, originally was in the running but dropped out.

General Romulo would not comment on his chances for election on Tuesday but informed sources at Lake Success believe that he will have little difficulty in being elected.

South American delegates, working to line up full South American support for him along with the United States and Britain, asked him about the Pacific anti-Communist Pact along the lines of the North Atlantic pact and General Romulo said: "It is progressing."

General Romulo was given the job of formulating the pact by the Philippine President, Elpidio Quirino.

He said the Philippines has not opposed the transfer of Japanese gold to Thailand and Indo-China by the United States last week but wanted more information on the transfer and reasons for it.

The United States used the veto in the Far Eastern Commission to order General MacArthur to transfer the gold to Thailand and Indo-China.—United Press.

Laurel's Defence Of War Record

Manila, September 19. Dr. Jose P. Laurel, the Opposition Presidential candidate, today was reliably reported to have defended his occupation record against the recent charges hurled against him by President Quirino in the course of his political tour of Southern Philippine towns and cities.

Addressing a big crowd at the Mindanao College's gymnasium in Davao City during the week-end, Dr. Laurel was reported to have said that he stayed behind during the war "to protect the lives and properties of the people on the instruction of the late President Quezon and sanctioned by General Douglas MacArthur."

He added that these two officials asked him to do anything possible short of taking the oath of allegiance to Japan.—Reuter.

American Request To Red Army

Berlin, September 19. Major-General George P. Hays, American Deputy Military Governor, today asked the Soviet authorities to punish Russian officers and soldiers alleged to have maltreated John J. Sienkiewicz, a 26-year-old American recruit who escaped from a Soviet sector gao last Friday.

In a letter to Major General Mikhail Dravits, the Soviet Military Governor, General Hays said that Sienkiewicz, of 619, South Chapel Street, Baltimore, Maryland, was treated in "a brutal and unprovoked manner" during his imprisonment by the Soviet military authorities.

Sienkiewicz is still confined to hospital as are the three British soldiers who escaped with him.

General Hays said: "He was beaten and kicked by Soviet soldiers, subjected to many interrogations, and half starved."

"He was subjected to unsanitary surroundings and his clothes and body were filthy and covered with vermin when he returned to United States control."

"Sienkiewicz states that Russian officers and soldiers knew that he was an American soldier, that he called him an American soldier, and asked him about America, and about the weapons, strength, training and organization of the United States Army troops in Berlin."

"Moreover, Sienkiewicz was treated in the American Army uniform when he escaped."

"The Soviet Military authorities now have his identification tags and other identification papers."

"I protest at this brutal, inhuman treatment of an American soldier by the Soviet military authorities and his unlawful detention for a period of over 10 months and request the punishment of the Soviet officers and soldiers who are guilty of these crimes against this soldier."

Reuter.

BACK TO BRITAIN MOVEMENT BEGINS

Tourists Caught By Devaluation

London, September 19.

Hundreds of bewildered and angry British tourists besieged banks and travel agencies in Belgium, Switzerland, France and Italy today with travellers' cheques that had lost a third of their value overnight.

But the banks were closed while the Governments debated their reaction to Britain's sterling devaluation, and the travel agencies could not help.

Many Britons, caught completely unawares, were stranded without the means to pay their hotel bills or even the price of a lunch.

Frenzied scenes took place in the lobbies of some Brussels hotels. Queues of tourists outside the banks were told by harassed officers that nothing could be done—but perhaps this afternoon we can do something to help you."

Paris holidaymakers crowding Cook's travel office shouted angry comments across the counter.

The French Finance Ministry took the first step to help tourists by announcing that this afternoon the banks will allow 10,000 francs at the old exchange rate for each foreign tourist.

A "Back to Britain" movement has already begun.

Tourists Besiege Consulates

Hundreds of British cars with "G.B." plates have passed through Paris towards the Channel ports since the devaluation scare started at the end of last week.

In Italy, British Consulates were besieged by tourists, many appealing for help in paying hotel bills, which they are allowed to run within a narrow margin of their allowance at the old rate.

Swiss financial circles today, fearing a death blow to the tourist trade, thought it was likely that Switzerland would ask for a review of the Anglo-Swiss trade agreement, which allowed a maximum of £4,600,000 for British tourists in Switzerland for 12 months from May 1 last.

Even in Germany groups of stranded Britons were asking the officials of the Military Government for help.

Exchange offices are closed for two days and unless a German devaluation of the Reichsmark follows, many will be driven home by the high German prices before the end of the week.

Dutch Helping

In Holland, however, British tourists have so far found little difficulty.

All foreign currency transactions are banned except in urgent cases, but some banks were today interpreting this liberally by helping visitors if they felt that it was essential.

Some banks and hotels were provisionally cashing travellers' cheques at the old rate, less 30 per cent—this means that the visitor gets 7.42 guilders to the Pound Sterling instead of 10.69.

When a final announcement on the guilder-sterling exchange rate is made by the Dutch Government, the transactions will be adjusted in line with the legal rate.—Reuter.

Catholic Priest Sentenced

Prague, September 19.

The official Czech news agency today announced that a Czechoslovak Catholic vicar and Archbishop's councillor had been sentenced to 10 years in prison for high treason for circulating directives to priests on the execution of the papal excommunication decree against Communists.

The sentenced churchman was the Reverend Theodor Funk, vicar, who was acting as secretary to Roman Catholic Archbishop Josef Matocha of Olomouc in Moravia.

He was sentenced in the state court in Prague.

The official version claimed that Funk had confessed that, at religious pilgrimages conducted in Moravia last month, he had circulated "illegal circulars" which told priests how to execute the papal excommunication.—Associated Press.

EFFECT ON UK LIVING STANDARDS

Troy, N.Y., September 19. The devaluation of the pound may eventually reach everybody but the principal effect will be reduction of the British standard of living, Senator Robert Taft (Republican) predicted today.

Senator Taft said: "The effect is difficult to calculate and it is anybody's guess. It will stimulate imports and reduce exports from the United States, but it should not affect us too much because we have not been exporting too much to Britain. I don't know what the result will be."

"They (the British) may be enabled to compete with our goods. It may be more severe competition, but it will reduce the standard of the British workman."

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AMERICAN INDUSTRY MENACED

New York, September 19. The United States is today threatened with the worst industrial paralysis in a year with a countrywide coal strike under way and a walk-out in the steel industry expected by midnight on Saturday.

John Lewis' United Mine Workers stopped producing coal today in the dispute over their pension fund.

The CIO president, Philip Murray, announced that United States workers would strike at midnight on Saturday unless the steel companies agree to settle the Union's pension and welfare demands on the basis of the presidential fact-finding board report.

Government economists warned that if the coal strike continued and the steel workers walked out, all economic gains by American business in recent weeks could be wiped out.

With 480,000 Mine Workers idle and 500,000 steel workers threatening to strike, next Monday may see nearly 1,000,000 workers idle throughout the nation.

As the mine walk-out began in the Northern and West Virginia fields, operators of four mines which attempted to keep open said the plants were "closed by touring pickets."

Three non-striking said they were attacked.—United Press.

Philippine Officials Leaving

Manila, September 20.

The Philippine charge d'affaires in Nanking, Manuel Adeva, and the Philippine Consul-General in Shanghai, Mariano Espoleta, are leaving Shanghai aboard the liner General Gordon on Monday for Yokohama, en route to the Philippines, according to a Foreign Office spokesman.

Mr. Adeva is coming home on leave while Mr. Espoleta has been appointed consul-general in San Francisco.

There is no plan to send a successor to Mr. Espoleta to Shanghai and it is uncertain whether Mr. Adeva will return to Nanking.

Delfin Garcia, chief of the liaison office in Canton and who is now in Hong Kong, will meet Mr. Adeva and Mr. Espoleta in Yokohama, after which he will return to Hong Kong and proceed to Canton.—United Press.

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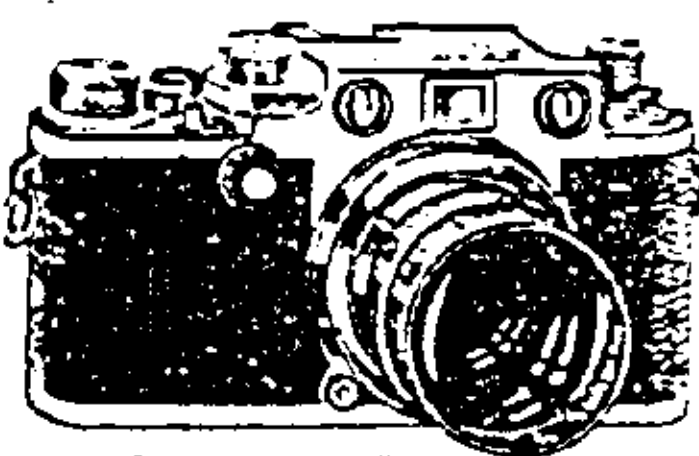
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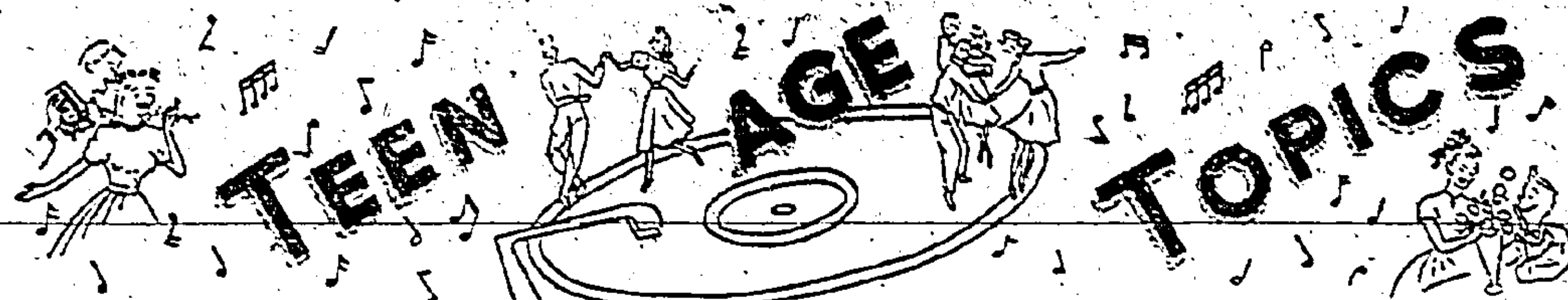
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Italian Teen Agers And Their "Idols"

By BETTY BETZ

Now I know I'm getting close to home! The Italian bobby soxers hang around the Excelsior hotel waiting for a glimpse of our idol, Ingrid Bergman, who's making a picture in Italy. The teen queens here love her simplicity and the way she doesn't wear fancy hats and jewels even though she can well afford them.

"The Hollywood stars like Rome better than Paris," proudly said Diana Infante, who complains of the high admission price of American movies.

Recently, Myrna Loy, Alan Curtis, Orson Welles and Mr. and Mrs. Tyrone Power have been seen about Rome, but the main queen still is "forever Ingrid".

I asked several kids about the marriage of Linda Christian and Tyrone Power, and they seemed to have found this much publicized wedding very amusing.

"It was like a big show," said Marina, who thinks the news reels made too much of this Hollywood match. "I remembered the little Siamese girl, Yipin, who claims to be the only girl in Siam who has Tyrone's Power's autograph. She was interviewed by the Bangkok papers at the time and was quoted as being 'heartbroken' but the Italian girls were happy when the wedding was over.

"We're so glad that Ty and Linda are married at last. There was so much dithering around that it was a relief when they finally tied the knot," laughed Diana, who prefers Burr Lancaster, anyway, to Tyrone Power.

"How do the American kids like Valli?" is the eternal question asked by Italian teen agers, who are very proud of their Italian actress and heroine of "The Paradine Case". I have met Valli in New York, and she seems to be the same natural and unsophisticated type as Ingrid Bergman. I asked the kids which they preferred. It was a tough decision.

"Well, naturally, we prefer our own Valli because she's Italian, but we're awfully fond of Ingrid Bergman, not because she's a great actress but mostly because she spends so much time in Italy!"

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SOFTBALL NOTES

The Catcher

Next in importance in the team's success is the Catcher, for he is a guiding influence in a team. Although his actions may seem mechanical, there is more than just simply catching a ball, for his primary duty is to see that everything on the field is under control, and to aid the pitcher in every way possible.

In controlling the field, he should see that every fielder is in place where the ball, if hit, can be stopped.

He signals the pitcher as to what kind of delivery should be made, and gives the pitcher the timing spot.

Some catchers can tell the weaknesses of any batter in the league, and such a player is naturally a valuable asset to the team. The catcher must train himself to stop every pitch no matter how wide, as a fumble is a distinct advantage to the opponents.

He must have also a fast and accurate throw to every base, and to perfect this grueling practice is necessary.

The Long Throw

The throw to second base is perhaps the most important, as this is the longest throw a catcher will be called upon to make. He should therefore train himself to peg the ball across the diamond dead over second base about knee high to enable the second baseman or short-stop to tag the runner with as little delay as possible.

Plays at second base are usually close, so every fraction of a second saved may mean a lot. If a peg from the squatting position of the catcher is too difficult, a step forward at the same time standing erect is preferable to an inaccurate throw.

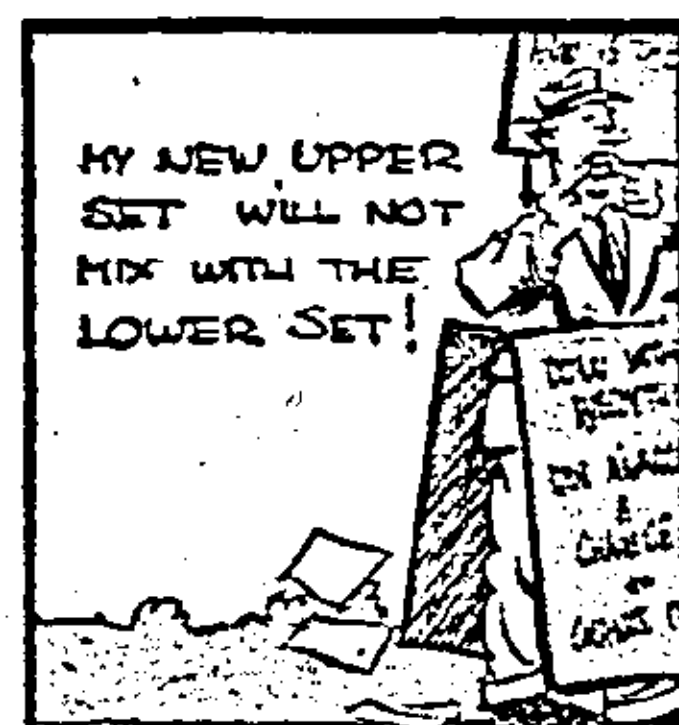
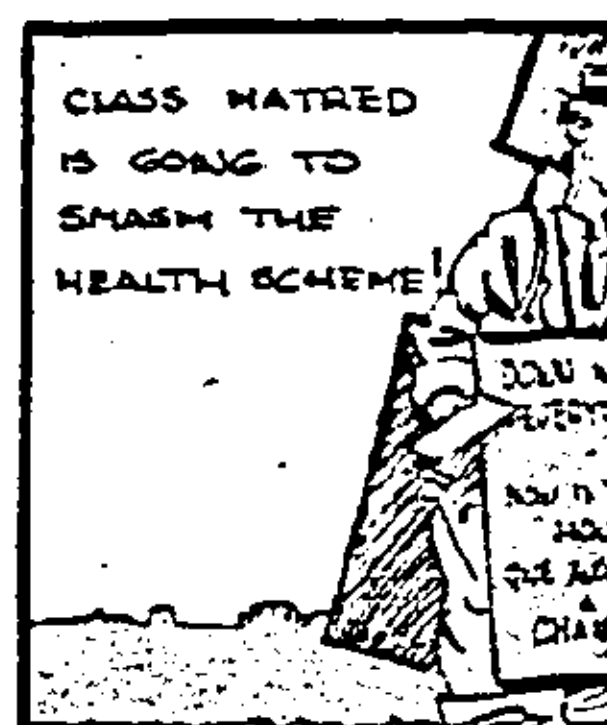
In throwing to third base, a side-arm throw has been found from experience to be faster than an over-arm throw, as the margin of error in such a short throw is more than compensated by the time saved in getting the ball away.

All this means that his footwork must be perfect. The catcher should practice shifting his feet to the correct position simultaneously with the catch. It is assumed that most intending players know how to catch a ball, but it will not be out of place to remind you once more that for catches above the waist, the fingers should be pointed upwards, while, conversely, with catches below the waist, the fingers should be pointed downwards. To reduce the force of the pitch, the hands should give a little at the moment of impact, but be sure to catch the ball first.

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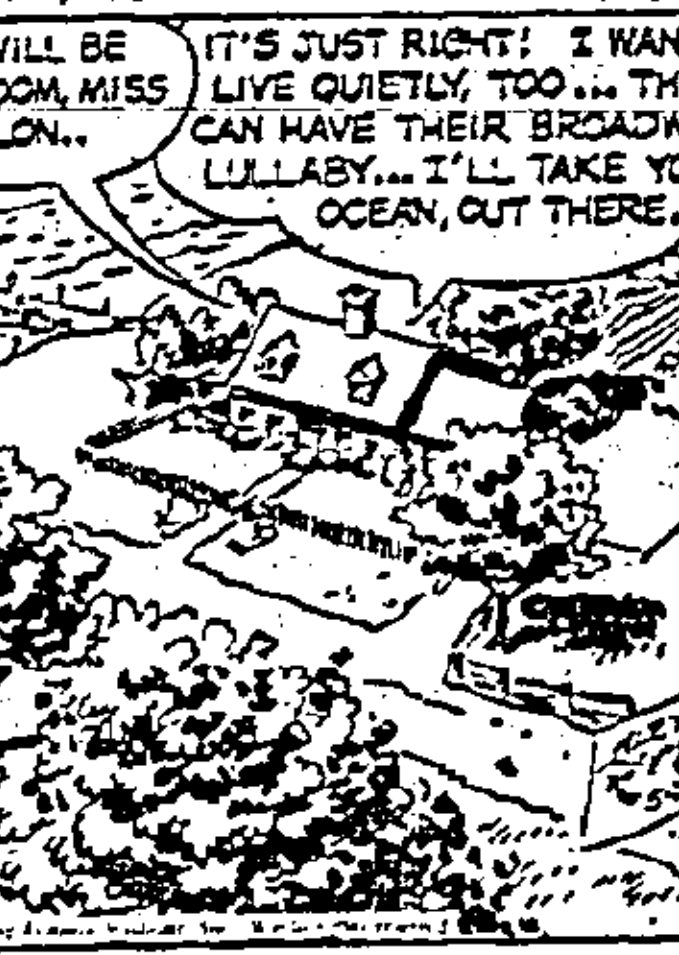
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Platter Chatter

Norma Stevens has announced a fine selection for Rediffusion's Teen Time on Friday at 9 p.m.

Run and Coca-Cola: Andrews Sisters

And Mimi: Dinning Sisters. Gloria: Mills Brothers.

Into Each Life: Ella Fitzgerald & the Ink Spots.

Oooh! Look-a There: The Charioteers.

Mockin' Bird: Golden Gate Quartette.

Judaline: Pied Pipers.

Daddy-O: Leri Sullivan with Page Cavanaugh Trio.

Serutan Yob: Red Ingle & the Unnatural Seven.

If there are any particular records you would like to hear on Teen-Time, your requests should be addressed to Rediffusion. Remember that this weekly programme is yours and your selections would be welcome.

Vocal Items

By special request, the Hot Club session at 6 p.m. this evening (Rediffusion) will be entirely devoted to vocal items and the final choice is:

Star Dust: Louis Armstrong.

The One I Love: Ella Fitzgerald.

Say It Simple: Jack Teagarden.

Alexander's Ragtime Band: Nellie Luther.

Resame Much: Wingy Manone.

Wabash Cannonball: Kay Starr. Save Your Sorrow: Bing Crosby.

Skip Rope: June Christy.

A Man With A Million Dollars: Joe Mooney.

It would be difficult to choose a more representative programme to show the contrast of styles and originality backed with singing ability. The two most rarely heard are Wingy Manone and Joe Mooney both of whom have a puckish sense of humour.

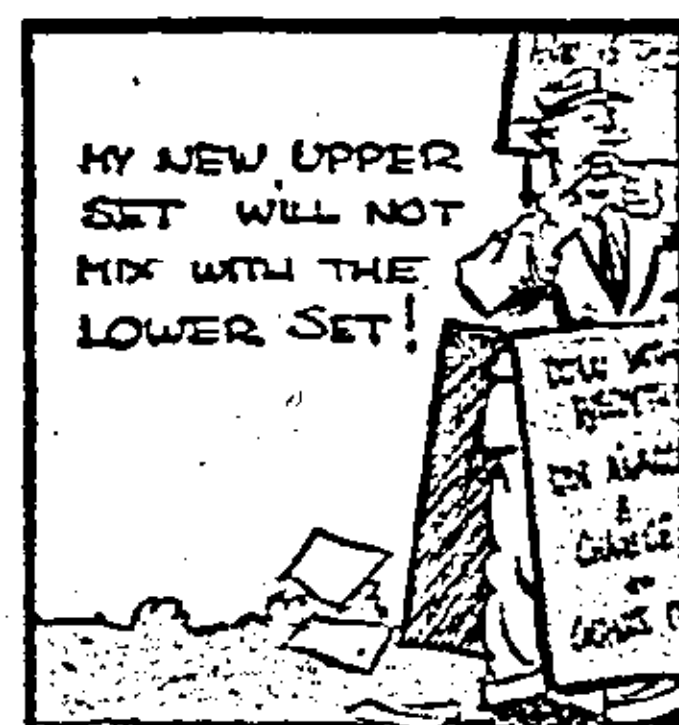
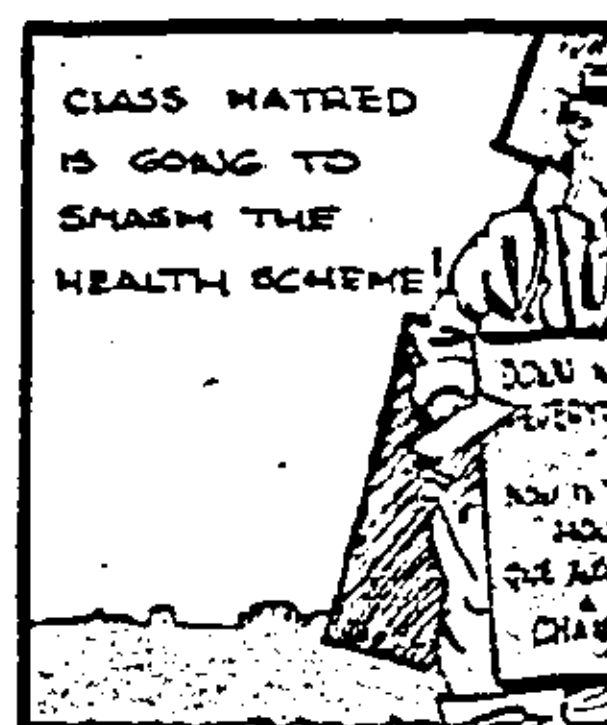
Crosby Again

The fine Eddie Heywood band is heard to advantage accompanying Bing on Save Your Sorrow for Tomorrow. The orchestra is given so much scope that it can be said that Bing is only doing the vocal refrain. Crosby certainly has no friction with his dictation and puts in excellent phrasing and jazz feeling.

Louis Armstrong's Star Dust is a timeless jazz classic recorded in 1931.

Jack Teagarden, one of the finest exponents of the blues, is given a good set of lyrics for Say It Simple. The Teagarden voice is "Texas all over the place." The Wren.

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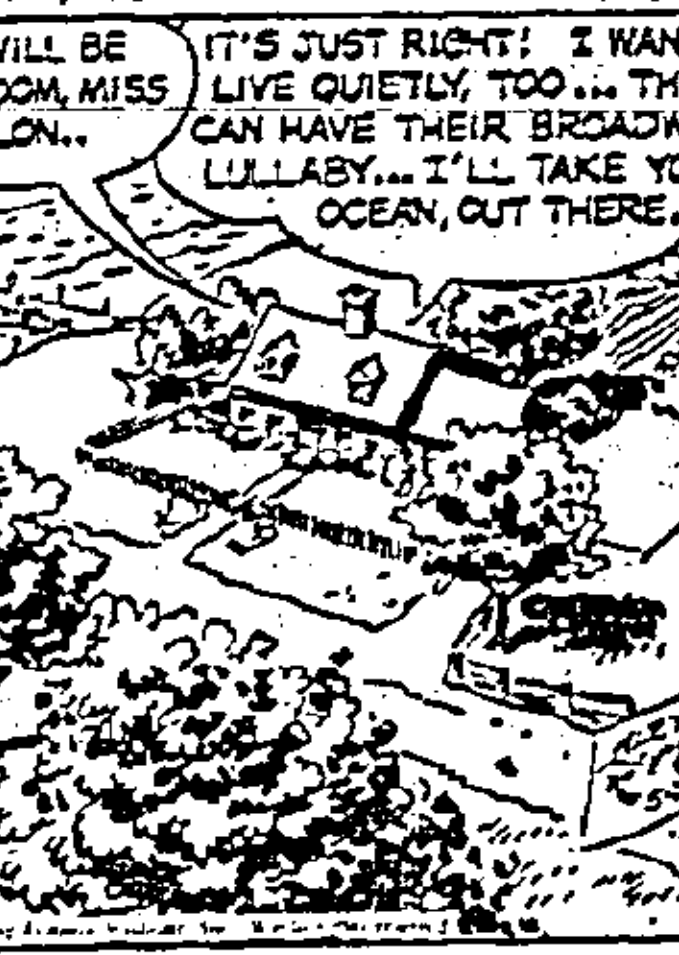
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1.00—Harry Owens and His Royal Hawaiian.	
1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements.	
1.25—Interlude.	
1.35—London Studio Concert.—The Westminster Orchestra Conducted by Denis Wright. (BBCTS).	
2.00—Close Down.	
6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.	
6.05—"Play for Children": "Sandra and the Gypsy of Windsor" by Will Sommers. Epilogue 1: (Studio).	
6.25—Carmen Cavallaro (Piano) and His Orchestra.	
6.40—Saxophone Recital by Emilio Salones with Piano Accompaniment by Vicente Cristobal. (Studio).	
7.00—"Record Round-About"—Variety Request Programme Presented by Denis Wright. (Studio).	
8.00—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay).	
8.15—"Murder in the Marsh"—with Richard Murdoch and Kenneth Horne. (BBCTS).	
8.45—"Generally Speaking"—A Reindeer Hunt in South Georgia by Kenneth Hunt. (London Relay).	
9.00—"From the Editorials". (London Relay).	
9.10—Weather Report.	
9.15—"Tom Jones"—Excerpts from Edward Gurney's Light Opera. (BBCTS).	
10.10—A Mozart-Beethoven Programme by Denis Wright. (Piano).	
10.30—Music for Dancing.	
11.00—Radio News Hour. (London Relay).	
11.15—Weather Report and Summary of News.	
11.25—Close Down.	

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7.45—The Super-Cola Programme.	
8.00—BBC News.	
8.15—The Stars Sing (Nettle's).	
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9.30—The Carrier Programme.	
10.00—BBC World News.	
10.30—Local News.	
10.45—Light Music.	
11.00—Starburst.	
11.15—Soft Lights and Sweet Music.	
Midnight—Close Down.	

HIT AND RUN DRIVER

A taxi driven by a hit and run driver knocked down a Chinese man at about 9 o'clock last night on Observatory Road.

The accident was seen by a "China Mail" reporter who reported it to the police.

The injured man was immediately rushed to the Kowloon Hospital after the police arrived at the scene.

Witnesses told the police the licence number of the taxi and at about 10.30 p.m. after investigation conducted by Inspector Ross of Tsimshatsui police station, taxi number 4782 was brought to the police station.

A fine of \$40 or three months imprisonment was imposed on Chu Wah, unemployed, for the improper possession of police accreditation by Mr. F.X. d'Almeida at Kowloon yesterday.

Defendant was arrested on September 18 at Matauwei Road.

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Armed Robbery Of Wine Shop Described

An account of how four men pushed their way into a wine shop at 165 Bulkeley Street, ground floor, on the night of June 26 and decamped with HK\$1,237 in money and jewellery was told at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Accused in the dock before Mr. Justice Williams, senior Puisne Judge, are Cheung Hon-sang, Ip Yu and Young Chi-cheung alias Yeung Kam-yan, who are charged with having taken part in the robbery in question.

The three are being tried by a jury composed of six men and one woman. Mr. M. Heenan, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector D. Taylor, is prosecuting. The accused are not legally represented.

Mr. Heenan told the Court that on the evening of the day in question, the master of the wine shop was in the front part of his premises together with two foks in the rear of the house, some women were playing a game of mahjong.

Shortly after 10 p.m. one of the women, having finished with the game, got up and prepared to leave. When she opened the door to the street however, she was prevented from stepping out by two strangers, each of whom carried a gun.

The two strangers were then joined by two others. One of them remained at the door. The other three herded the occupants of the house into the rear portion of the premises and proceeded to tie and gag them.

Money and jewellery were then taken from the occupants. The master of the house was compelled to hand over his key to the safe, whereupon the robbers opened and ransacked it. In the course of the proceedings, the master's wife who had gone out returned. She was treated like the others by the robbers, who also did likewise to a brother of one of the women who arrived much later.

Left For Canton

Mr. Heenan went on to say that the master, however, could not be called up to testify, as shortly after the raid, he left for Canton and has not returned since.

Crown Counsel went on to say that the occupants eventually freed themselves and summoned the police.

A month later, two of the accused were arrested in the New Territories.

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The issue of special permits to take sporting dogs from Hong Kong to the New Territories has also ceased until further notice.

Territories. Ip Yu, was alleged to have been wearing a wrist watch which was identified as a part of the loot from the robbery.

Three accused were arrested later. All three men made statements in answer to the charge against them. Two men later took the police to a certain place in Kowloon where two revolvers were found. First accused was however not identified by the victims of the robbery, but the other two were.

The only part of the loot recovered, Mr. Heenan stated, was the wrist watch taken from Ip. Corroborative evidence for the Crown's case was then given by witnesses.

All three accused denied the allegations against them from the dock.

The trial was adjourned until 11.30 this morning.

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Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 11 a.m. (Ord.) 11.30 a.m.

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Airmail for Japan, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Parcels only for Canada via Vancouver BC, 10 a.m.

Parcels for Canada, (Par.) 12.30 p.m. (Reg.) 1.30 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m.

Parcels for USA, Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada), (Par.) 1.30 p.m. (Reg.) 2 p.m. (Ord.) 2.30 p.m.

Parcels for Japan, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

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SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
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"STRAAT MALAKKA" 7th Oct.	26th Sept.
"BOISSEVAIN" 5th Nov.	18th Oct.
"STRAAT SOENDA" 30th Nov.	

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SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

JAPAN-KOREA TRADE: SEOUL DISCUSSIONS

Tokyo, September 19.

General MacArthur is sending a trade delegation to Seoul, Korea, in the near future—probably next month.

The delegation's aim is to find some means of further improving trade relations between the Republic and occupied Japan.

SCAP officials said the conversations will try to make the necessary adjustments in the commercial agreement concluded between the two countries last April.

The meetings will take place in accordance with the provision in this agreement calling for consultations at the end of six months to adjust trade between the two countries in the light of actualities.

Referring to President Syngman Rhee's public statement calling for a workable trade agreement between Japan and Korea, SCAP officials expressed the opinion that the existing arrangement concluded last April provided a satisfactory basis for the beginning of considerably expanded commercial relations between the two countries.

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The Market yesterday suffered a set-back, and the gains registered on Monday fractionally gave way.

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China Provisional 11 1/2.
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Wharves 2 1/2.
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Tsing Tung 5 1/2.
H.K. Mines 57 1/2.
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H. & S. Hotels 114 1/2.
H.K. Lands 45 1/2.
Shanghai Lands 2 1/2.
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H.K. Estates 10 1/2.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
H.K. Tramways 16 1/2.
Peak Tram (Ord.) 15.
(New) 10.
Star Ferry 12 1/2.
C. Light (Ord.) 12, 12 1/2, 12 1/2.
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H.K. Electric 22 1/2.
Marco Electric 20 1/2.
Sundank Light 8 1/2.
Sundank 19 1/2.
Shanghai Gas 2.
INDUSTRIALS
Gold. Macc. (Ord.) 22 1/2.
Canton Iron 7.
Cement 21 1/2.
H.K. Ropes 12 1/2.
STORES, Etc.
Daly Farms 4 1/2.
Wai Yee 4 1/2.
Crawford 1 1/2.
Sincere 4 1/2.
China Emporium 2.
Sun Co. Ltd. 2.
Kwong Sang Hong 10 1/2.
Wing On (H.K.) 7 1/2.
Wm. Powell, Ltd. 9 1/2.
MISCELLANEOUS
China Refrigerators 7 1/2.
H.K. Construction (Ord.) 2 1/2.
(New) 2.
Vibro Filings 12 1/2.
Marman Investments 9 1/2.
Marman (H.K.) 2.
Shanghai Loan 15 1/2.
Yankee 1.
COTTONS
Ewa 4 1/2.
RUBBER, Etc., COMPANIES
Alma Estates 14.
Apple-Dutch 20.
Ancho-Java 1.
Batu Anas 40.
Bate Plantations 2.
Chemore United 40.
Cheong Rubbers 20.

Money Market

U.S. dollars opened yesterday at HK\$6.20 but lacking buyer support dropped to \$6.15 at the close. TT was put through from HK\$6.10 down to \$6.04 1/2. Sterling was quoted at HK\$14 but there were no buyers. Australian pounds opened at HK\$11.90 and closed at \$11.70. Pounds were unchanged at HK\$12 1/2. Tels at HK\$26.50 a 100 was unchanged from the previous day. NET-Guilders improved to HK\$25 a 100.

BRITISH CARS MARKED DOWN

New York, September 20. Ford Motors of New York on Monday announced a 20 per cent cut on British cars on reaction to the devaluation of the Pound. Reductions were made in the prices of Singer, Vanguard and Triumph cars—Associated Press.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, September 20. Devaluation of the Pound caused selling and nervousness in grain futures. Some traders believed it might mean fewer U.S. grain exports. Wheat closed 1/2 to 3/4 lower. September \$2.08 1/2; December \$2.11 1/2; March \$2.10 1/2. Corn was 5/8 to 1 1/4 lower. September \$1.26 1/2-1 1/4. Oats were 1/2 to 3/4 lower. September 67 1/2. Bye was three to 4 1/2 lower. September \$1.42. Soybeans were 3/4 to 4 1/2 lower. November \$2.28-\$2.27 1/2—Associated Press.

U.S. TREASURY

Washington, September 20. Treasury position on September 15, compared with corresponding date a year ago.
Total Debt: US\$256,401,542.
967.61 and US\$22,093,555,107.54.
Gold Assets: US\$24,687,196,751.82 and US\$23,850,197,232.10.—Associated Press.

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godown where they will be examined in the presence of Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on the 23/9/49 at 10 a.m.

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New York Stock Exchange

New York, September 20. Devaluation of the Pound and other currencies had little effect on the stock market on Monday. Losers outnumbered gains at the close, but changes either way were mostly in fractions.

Gold stocks stayed consistently on the plus side. Some touched new highs for the year, such as Homestake Mining, 43 1/2; Dome, 18 1/2; McIntire Forgings, 57 1/2; Benquet Consolidated, a Phillips-Bue producer, remained at 2 1/2.

Other gainers included Northern Pacific, United Aircraft, Allied Chemical, Dow Chemical.

Among losers were Douglas Aircraft, Phelps Dodge, Coca Cola.

Dow Jones Averages: Stocks 44.81 20 Industrials 181.42 15 Rails 46.63 10 Utilities 37.75.

Closing quotations:

Adams Express 20 1/2
Alaska Junior 3 1/2
American Can 9 1/2
American Smelting 47 1/2
American Telephone 143 1/2
American Tobacco 72 1/2
American Waterworks 7 1/2
Anaconda Copper 27
Aviation Corp. 5 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive 9 1/2
Barnsdall 43 1/2
Bendix Aviation 29 1/2
Bethlehem Steel 27 1/2
Boeing Aircraft 19
Borden Co. 44 1/2
Canadian Pacific 14 1/2
Case 37 1/2
Chrysler 32 1/2
Colgate 40
Commercial Solvents 16 1/2
Corn Products 62 1/2
Du Pont 52 1/2
Eastman Kodak 43
General Electric 37 1/2
General Motors 62 1/2
Goodrich 63 1/2
Goodyear 39 1/2
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Kennebec Copper 45 1/2
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Shell Oil 37
Socony Vacuum 16 1/2
Southern Pacific 39 1/2
Standard Brands 20 1/2
Standard Oil of Calif. 68 1/2
Standard Oil of N. J. 63 1/2
Studebaker 22 1/2
Union Bag 25
Union Carbide 30
US Rubber 34
US Steel 23 1/2
US Lines 15
Westinghouse 24 1/2
Youngstown Sheet & Tube 45 1/2
Gen. Pub. Utilities 14 1/2
—Associated Press.

NY COTTON

New York, September 20. Cotton futures weakened in late dealings on New Orleans and Commission House selling. Closed 50 to 70 cents a bale lower.
October 28.80; December 28.63-64; March 29.57-58; May 29.51; July 28.97; October 27.25 bid; Middling spot 30.60 nominal.—Associated Press.

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"BENEDICTUS" do		27th Oct.
"BENEDICTUS" do		31st Oct.
"BENEDICTUS" do		18th Nov.
"BENEDICTUS" do		21st Nov.
"BENEDICTUS" do		28th Nov.
"BENEDICTUS" do		10th Dec.

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	LOADING
"BENAVON" do	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hall	11th Oct.
"BENEFITUS" do		30th Oct.
"BENEDICTUS" do		5th Nov.
"BENEDICTUS" do		23rd Nov.
"BENEDICTUS" do	Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin, Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	8th Oct.
"BENEDICTUS" do		7th Nov.
"BENEDICTUS" do		20th Dec.
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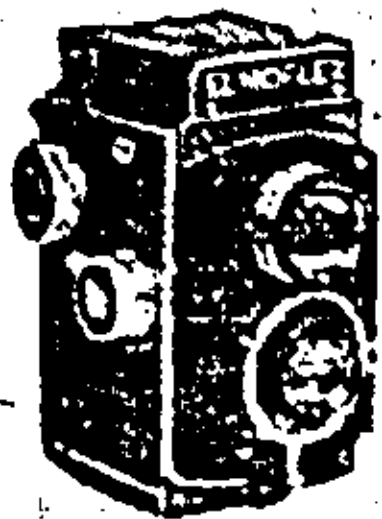
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Stanley Shield Games Today

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Sunderland (A) v Eastern (A), 2.30 p.m., Referee: L. J. Dwyer.
Sunderland (A) v Police (B), 3.30 p.m., Referee: P. A. Money.
Taiwan (A) v Navy (A), 4.30 p.m., Referee: W. G. Gifford.
Club (A) v Colingwood (A), 5.30 p.m., Referee: J. C. Taylor.
Kilburn v R.N.V.P. (A), 5.30 p.m., Referee: S. J. P. Mervin.

The week-end programme is as follows:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

C.A.A. (A) v P.C.A. (A), 2.30 p.m., Referee: J. H. Gifford.
Taiwan (A) v Police (B), 3.30 p.m., Referee: P. A. Money.
Army (A) v Navy (A), 4.30 p.m., Referee: W. G. Gifford.
Club (A) v Colingwood (A), 5.30 p.m., Referee: J. C. Taylor.
Kilburn v R.N.V.P. (A), 5.30 p.m., Referee: S. J. P. Mervin.
C.A.A. (A) v P.C.A. (A), 7.30 p.m., Referee: J. H. Gifford.
Taiwan (A) v Police (B), 8.30 p.m., Referee: P. A. Money.
Army (A) v Navy (A), 9.30 p.m., Referee: W. G. Gifford.
Club (A) v Colingwood (A), 10.30 p.m., Referee: J. C. Taylor.
Kilburn v R.N.V.P. (A), 11.30 p.m., Referee: S. J. P. Mervin.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Quarter-finals: 2.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 4.30 p.m., and 5.30 p.m.
Semi-finals: 5.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m.
Final: 6.30 p.m.
The following referees have been appointed for the Quarter-finals, Semi-finals and Final games to be held on Sunday:
Capt. H. J. Chin, Mr. J. F. Smith, Mr. A. P. Goss and Mr. L. J. Dwyer.

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, September 19.
The following were the results of football matches played today:

Second Division: Blackburn Rovers 4, Brentford 1; Leicester 0, Chesterfield 1.

Third Division (Northern): Rotherham U. S., Chester 2-2; Reuter.

A Swedish soccer team, which will include nine international players, will visit Hong Kong towards the latter part of November next and play two games in the Colony.

This information was revealed by Mr. J. Skinner, Chairman of the Hong Kong Football Association, at the monthly Council Meeting of the Association yesterday.

The team which will be visiting Hong Kong will be the Helsingborg Soccer XI and Mr. Skinner hopes to finalise arrangements for the visit on Friday, when he is meeting Mr. Wolfe Leyberg, representative of the team.

Mr. Skinner said that the team, which will be playing here on or about November 26 and November 27, had asked for £2,000 for these two matches.

The team is already on its way to Saigon and Mr. Skinner said that a letter had been forwarded to Saigon, where it could be picked up on the team's arrival at that port.

The Council approved of the issue of Association "Passes" to Messrs. A. W. Ho, H. K. Lee, Wong Ka-tsun, Choy Wai-hung, L. P. de Souza, W. E. Hui, K. K. Ip and Lee Wai-tong. These passes, which are issued to those who have worked in the interests of local soccer over a number of years, will be valid for one year.

An application by the Hong Kong Football Club for a loan from the Association was considered by the Council. It was finally decided that a sum of \$10,000 be lent to the Club. The loan is required to defray expenses incurred in connection with the building of the Club stands at Happy Valley, which have cost \$24,000. A loan of \$1,600 to St. Joseph's Football Club was also approved by the Council.

Remission Asked

A letter from the Police Sports Club, asking that the sentence passed by the Emergency Sub-Committee of the HKFA on Lai Wai of the Police 1st XI, who was suspended last season until December 31, 1949, be remitted, was rejected by the Council.

Inspector Harris, speaking on behalf of the Police, said that they were finding it somewhat difficult to raise a sufficiently strong team and that it would assist the Police Sports Club if the sentence on Lai Wai could be remitted.

Mr. Skinner expressed the view that if the application was granted, it would serve to set up a dangerous precedent.

The matter was then put to the meeting, which voted against any remission.

Scottish XI For International Soccer Game

Glasgow, September 19.
The Scottish team to play Ireland at Belfast on October 1 in the first home international soccer championship match of the season was announced today as follows:

Cowan (Morton), Young (Rangers), Cox (Rangers), Evans (Celtic), Woodhouse (Rangers), Aitken (East Fife), Waddell (Rangers), Mason (Third Lanark), Morris (East Fife), Steel (Derby County), Reilly (Hibernian).

Young will captain the side, of which Morris is the only new cap.

At the end of the home international soccer championship between England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, the first two clubs in the table will qualify for the world championship in Brazil.

HAMPSHIRE BEATEN IN ONE-DAY MATCH

Bournemouth, September 19.
A crowd of over 10,000 saw a team of County cricketers, including three Test captains, led by the Duke of Edinburgh, today beat Hampshire by one wicket in a one-day match in aid of the playing field's Appeal Fund.

The scores were: Hampshire 254 for eight wickets declared, Duke of Edinburgh's Side 255 all out.

The Duke won the toss and put Hampshire in to bat. He claimed one wicket for 25 runs and he scored 12 runs for his side.

The innings was completed without addition after passing Hampshire's total with one wicket in hand.—Reuter.

Scaffolding Collapses; Three Men Hurt

Two coolies and a workman were injured yesterday morning when a part of the scaffolding at the site of the new Cable and Wireless building on the waterfront collapsed.

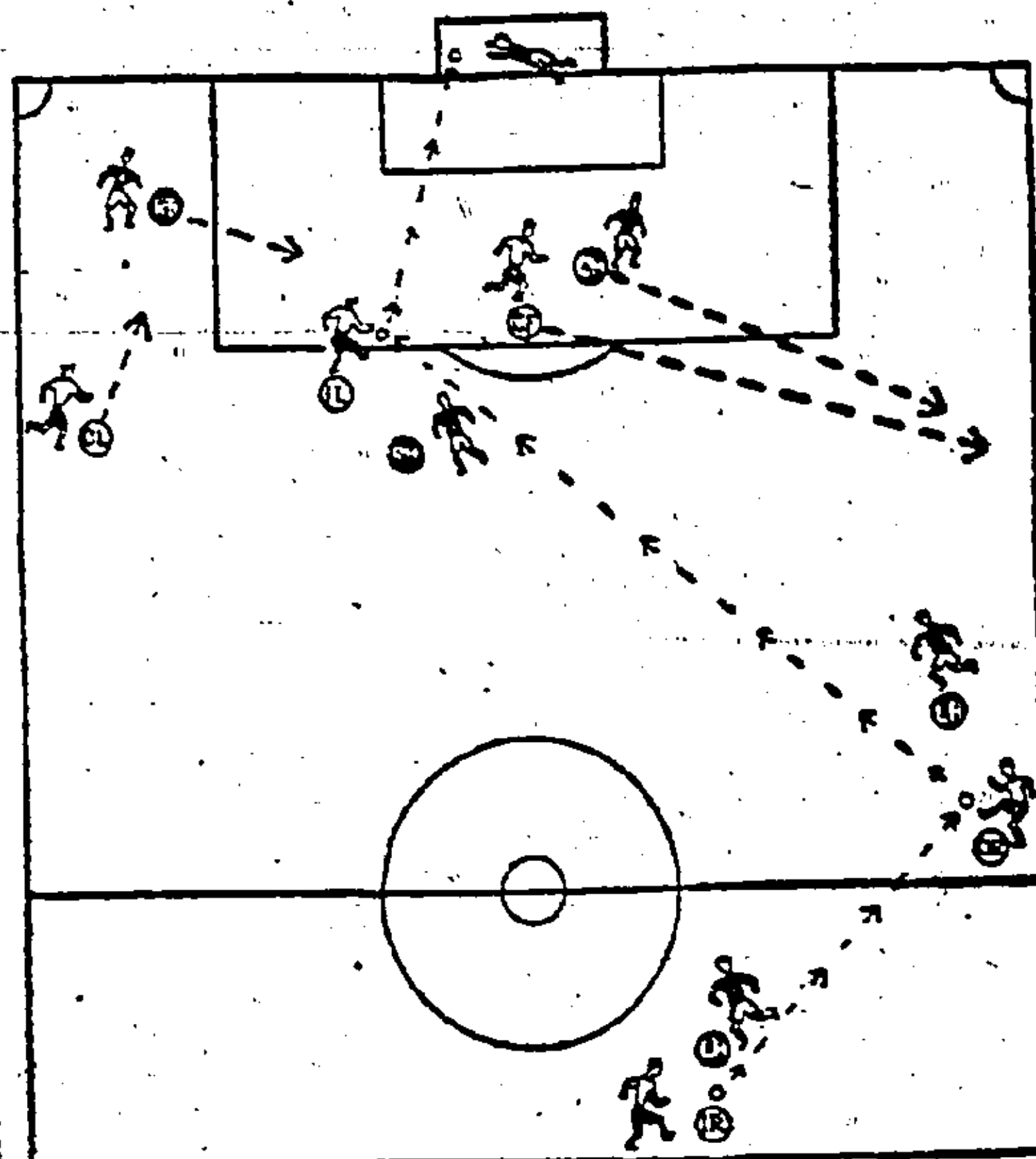
The three men, Chu Man-sik, aged 53, workman, Chu Ching-lam, coolie, aged 38 and Lam Fo-sin, coolie, aged 34.

The injured men were on the ground floor when the scaffolding collapsed and they were buried under timber and bamboo. The workman and Chu Ching-lam suffered serious injuries and were detained in the Queen Mary Hospital whereas the third man was treated and was discharged from the hospital.

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One Of The Best Scoring "Ruses"

(By PETER DOHERTY)

What is the most dangerous attacking move in soccer?

It is not an easy question. There are dozens, but one of the best scoring ruses I know is the "switch" illustrated here. The move must be executed at top speed or it will break down.

LRC Tennis Tournament

Owing to the inclement weather yesterday, all Tournament Tennis matches which were to have been played at the Ladies Recreation Club had to be cancelled.

These matches will now be played today and the following is the programme:

2.30 a.m.
Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Mrs. Linton v Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Jones (Colony).

4.00 p.m.
Mrs. Chiu and Mrs. Fowler v Mrs. Shewan and Mrs. Strickland (Colony).

5.15 p.m.
Mrs. Bushbaum v Mrs. Gell (Colony Singles).

Miss M. Ribeiro v Mrs. Stroobach (bah Colony Cingles).

J. Kempton v P. de Lavallette (Club Singles).

J. Hurlbutt v Comdr. Harrison (Club Singles).

N. Lo and Miss R. Lo v D. Nolan and Mrs. Kite (Colony Mixed Doubles).

Armstrong and Mrs. Armstrong v D. Fitzroy-Williams and Mrs. Allan (Colony Mixed Doubles).

K.C. Lai and Miss J. Yuan v C. Kotewall and Mrs. Tamworth (Colony Mixed Doubles).

R.H. Yip and Mrs. Yip v D. Lo and Mrs. Chau (Colony Mixed Doubles).

K.C. CRICKET TEAMS

A cricket match between members of the Kowloon Cricket Club has been arranged for Saturday, September 24. The teams, which will be captained by R.E. Lee and E.C. Fincher respectively, are as follows:

R.E. Lee's XI: A. Zimmer, W.H. Collier, W.M. Davidson, T.A. Madar, J.A. Sellers, W.H. Cowie, D.G. White, G.W. Bentley, H.A. Wood, D.C. Seymour, R. Randall, P. Grinnell, K.A. Seyers and J. Chubb.

E.C. Fincher's XI: J. Leroy, W.D.M. Webb, N. Hart-Baker, A.T. Lee, C.P. Smith, V.O. Bond, S.E. Lawrence, B.A. Jones, R.P. Brown, C.E. Tiersman, E.H. Bowler, R.G. Latham, J.R. Luke and D. Langston-Jones.

ENTRIES FOR KCC TENNIS TOURNAMENT CLOSE TODAY

Entries for the five Tennis Championships of the Kowloon Cricket Club will close at 7 p.m. today.

The draw will take place immediately afterwards and competitors are expected to play off at least two matches before Monday, so it is advisable that they be at the Club today or tomorrow to see what dates have been allotted to them or to make their own arrangements to play off on scheduled matches.

RUGGER SCORES

London, September 19.
The following were the results of rugger games played today:

Rugby Union: Cambridge 3, Aberavon 14; Newbridge 24, Cross Keys 3.

Rugby League: International Match—England 7, Other Nationalities 13; Halifax 15, Wakefield Trinity 7; Hull Kingston Rovers 6, St. Helens 12.—Reuter.

"Tote" Not Ready For Today's Trial Race Meeting

(By "RAPIER")

Despite the tremendous efforts that have been made in the past few months by the Engineers responsible for the erection of the Totalisator to have the system ready for operation at the Trial Meeting today, the final test has not proved to be entirely satisfactory. It has therefore been decided to run the Trial Meeting on the old Parimutuel system, except that Dividends and Results will be exhibited on the Totalisator Dividend and Result Boards, also Dividends, Win or Place, of any denomination, will be paid out at any position in the Pay-Out Booths.

It is hoped that the Totalisator system will be in operation at the Meeting which will be held on September 24.

Badges must be displayed in order to gain admission to the Enclosures.

There are four events on the programme, the first saddling bell for which will be rung at 5-00 p.m. with the first race starting at 5-30 p.m. sharp.

The grand course is in excellent condition and the two public lawns near the six furlong and five furlong starts have been pulled down and the course widened considerably at these places.

Canadian Dollar Devalued

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Mr. Chiffey said that there would be no immediate increase in costs over the "by far greater part of our import trade." The question of re-adjusting import licences for dollar goods, which were mainly in terms of Australian currency, was being urgently examined.

Mr. Chiffey added: "Australian producers and merchants will be making their best contribution towards our dollar difficulties if they take advantage of the improvement in the competitive position and sell as much as possible in dollar markets."

Yen Devaluation?

Speculation in Tokyo on the possibility of the devaluation of the yen was unchecked today by General MacArthur's announcement that there was no intention at present of making such a move.

For many months, high Japanese foreign trade circles have expressed the opinion that the devaluation of sterling must inevitably be followed by the devaluation of the yen from the 360 to 380 to something like 500 to a dollar.

The Tokyo stock market reacted to General MacArthur's non-devaluation statement by a general drop in the export industry quotations.

The Trade-Industry Ministry revealed today that it will immediately form an "industrial rationalisation and deliberation council."

Economic circles believed that the purpose of the new organisation would be to reorganise industrial production to meet the bitter competition expected from British goods.

The Kyoto news agency also reported that the Japanese Government would seek SCAP approval for the use of SCAP (Government in occupied areas) and ERO (Economic rehabilitation in occupied areas) funds to purchase commodities in sterling areas.

The Cabinet Economic Stabilization Board stated today that any increase in price between Japan and the sterling bloc as a result of sterling devaluation would not be material for the next three or four months.

Export Price

Sources in the Board stressed that the immediate problem was to readjust Japanese industry and Japanese export prices.

In spite of such preparations by the government, the opinion was still strong in Japanese business circles this evening that the yen devaluation must come sooner or later.

General MacArthur today granted the Japanese Government request for authority to revise the sterling-yen rate in proportion to the devaluation by London of sterling. The action meant that Japan for the time being at least would attempt to hold the line at 360 yen to the dollar.

The SCAP advised that the temporary cessation of foreign trade transactions with all countries except the United States, which was put into force yesterday following the receipt of the devaluation news, would be lifted at midnight tonight, local time.

Trade contracts approved up to last week would be honoured at the old rate of 1450 yen to £1. Contracts approved after today would be honoured at 1,000 yen to £1. It was said, Associates Press and Reuter.

Race No. 1—Trial Meeting Handicap (First Section): One Mile.

The opening event will be contested by Australian Ponies Class 1. Judging from the entries we shall see a grand contest with probably a thrilling finish. It is certainly no easy matter to pick out the winner.

The winner will probably be one of the following: Sharpshooter (Mr. Holgate), Kingfisher (Mr. Maitland), Good Bay (Mr. K. F. Chiu) and Pacific (Mr. Renner).

Sharpshooter, in view of its fine win in the Suffolk Stakes (First Section) over the mile at the last meeting with Mr. Darkin up, has a good chance of scoring a win here, but there is no doubt that it will meet with serious opposition.

Kingfisher, which came second in the Birmingham Stakes (First Section) at the last meeting over the two mile post, is looking a picture of fitness at the moment and I consider the pony has a good chance of winning.

Good Bay has been improving at winning gallops (it came third in the above stakes, second section) should be well up at the finish as the distance is more to its liking.

Pacific was unplaced the last time out, but with a change of jockey this afternoon may give the above ponies a good fight to the end.

Race No. 2—Totalisator Handicap (First Section): One Mile.

This event will be fought out by Australian Ponies Class 8 and, judging from past performance, Sider (Mr. Ostroumoff) will probably win.

Opposition is likely to come from Pinkie (Mr. Holgate), Sans Atout (Mr. Maitland) and another pony to watch, but it may disappoint again, whilst Cidway (Mr. Darkin) is not bad.

It has been whispered about that Gangway is capable of creating an upset, but as it has not raced for such a long time, I am inclined to think that it will have to be very good to beat the above-mentioned ponies.

Jorjock disappointed its supporters the last time out by boring out, but should not be neglected this afternoon as it will be taken out by its owner, Mr. B. L. Tao.

Happy Boy, with Mr. Alexander up, is another candidate of extending the field.

Race No. 3—Totalisator Handicap (Second Section): One Mile.

The second section of Class 8, Australian ponies will participate in this race. Looking over the entries, I don't think the winner will come from one of the following: Dawn (Mr. Ostroumoff), Ame. Clipper (Mr. Phil), Busted Straight (Mr. Williamson) and Strathnamara (Mr. Alexander).

Dawn, which won the Mount Parker Stakes (Third Section) over six furlongs at the 5th Extra Race Meeting, has been penalised by 10 lbs. I don't really expect that the additional poundage will hinder its chances of winning.

Ame. Clipper and Busted Straight are good over this distance and should have a say at the finish.

Strathnamara has been steadily improving in its track work during gallops and I expect it to be very near if it does not actually win.

Race No. 4—Trial Meeting Handicap (Second Section): One Mile.

This is the final event of the day and among the ponies entered the following are undoubtedly the best: Peacock (Mr. Tu), Airfield (Mr. Tao), Rosemarie (Mr. S. W. Lee) and Kwong Leong (Mr. Shieh).

Peacock is probably a little better than the others in view of its second placing in the Birmingham Stakes (Second Section) over the two mile post at the last meeting, but Airfield has been showing vast improvement in its track work. It completed the Six furlongs on September 14, in 1.20.3 with a last quarter of 26.2 seconds, which is good.

Rosemarie, which ran a good third in the Birmingham Stakes (First Section), is quite at home over this distance and must be considered.

In Kwong Leung we have a pony, which is quite capable of upsetting calculations.

Rapier's Selections For Today

Race No. 1

SHARP SHOOTER
GOOD BAY
KINGFISHER
Outsider—Pacific.

Race No. 2

SIDDER
PINKIE
SANS ATOUT
Outsider—Gangway.

Race No. 3

DAWN
AME. CLIPPER
BUSTED STRAIGHT
Outsider—Strathnamara.

Race No. 4

AIRFIELD
PEACOCK
ROSEMARIE
Outsider—Kwong Leung.

Pirates Make Merry At Kellet Island

(By "MAINSHEET BLOCK")

A gaudy coloured throng of pirates assembled on Saturday to dance to the lively tunes of the band of the 7th Task Fleet USN, playing by the courtesy of Admiral R. S. Birkey USN.

It was with regret that the pirates left the island to disappear for another year.

The usual races were held on Saturday and Sunday in light breeze. With two weeks to go before the summer season ends, the summer season ends.

Next week end there will be Ladies Races on Saturday at 2.30 p.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m.

Last week's results were:

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
Team Race—Bride v 40 Commando 14.50.
1st Match (1) 50.42 (2) 2nd Tally 12.07.
50.11 Bde. 2nd Strasser (19) 54.32 Bde.
4th Harrison (16) 59.43 Bde. 5th Edith (14) 58.02 Bde. 6th Hay (13) 1.01.15.
40. 7th Parker (17) 1.01.40 40. 8th Bailey (12) 1.09.02 40.

Bride 24 points; 40 Commando 14.50 points.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
Dingley Race: 1st Nixon (5) 1.02.22; 2nd DuBois (2) 1.02.27; 3rd Laffer (1) 1.02.49; 4th D. Muller (17) 1.08.01; 5th Robinson (6) 1.04.15.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
50th Dingley Series Race: 1st Wicks (13) 1.10.10 (21) 2nd Wicks (1) 1.20.10 (22) 3rd Evans (1) 1.33.19 (75) 4th Laffer (2) 1.36.02 (64) 5th Ketchell (16) 1.38.18 (63) 6th Robinson (6) 1.40.33 (23) 7th Dingley (1) 1.40.33 (21) 8th Parker (17) 1.49.41 (40) 9th Howell (10) D.N.F. Corbett (14) D.S.O. Barrett (16) D.N.F.

51st Dingley Series Race: 1st Furrer (13) 1.10.10 (21) 2nd Wicks (1) 1.20.10 (22) 3rd Evans (1) 1.33.19 (75) 4th Laffer (2) 1.36.02 (64) 5th Ketchell (16) 1.38.18 (63) 6th Robinson (6) 1.40.33 (23) 7th Dingley (1) 1.40.33 (21) 8th Parker (17) 1.49.41 (40) 9th Howell (10) D.N.F. Corbett (14) D.S.O. Barrett (16) D.N.F.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
56th Dingley Series Race: 1st King (14) 47.30 (28) 2nd Yata (3) (63) 3rd Fidler (3) 1.04.54 (78) 4th Mrs. Muller (8) 1.12.20 (77) 5th Toward (14) 1.18.15 (62) 6th Moore (19) 1.08.56 (67) 7th Laffer (2) 1.09.10 (29) 8th Henny (6) 1.18.22 (73) 9th Eddie (16) 1.17.40 (42) 10th Mils (6) (11) 1.14.25 (57) 11th Cookham (10) 1.18.27 (52) 12th Bellier (9) 1.05.45 (27) 13th Vase (15) D.N.F. Cheta D.N.F.

57th Dingley Series Race: 1st Graham (1) 54.45 (63) 2nd Yousell (12) 57.07 (50) 3rd Fidler (3) 1.04.54 (78) 4th Mrs. Muller (8) 1.12.20 (77) 5th Toward (14) 1.18.15 (62) 6th Moore (19) 1.08.56 (67) 7th Laffer (2) 1.09.10 (29) 8th Henny (6) 1.18.22 (73) 9th Eddie (16) 1.17.40 (42) 10th Mils (6) (11) 1.14.25 (57) 11th Cookham (10) 1.18.27 (52) 12th Bellier (9) 1.05.45 (27) 13th Vase (15) D.N.F. Cheta D.N.F.

58th Dingley Series Race: 1st Corbett (16) 1.11.50 (21) 2nd Yousell (12) 57.07 (50) 3rd Fidler (3) 1.04.54 (78) 4th Mrs. Muller (8) 1.12.20 (77) 5th Toward (14) 1.18.15 (62) 6th Moore (19) 1.08.56 (67) 7th Laffer (2) 1.09.10 (29) 8th Henny (6) 1.18.22 (73) 9th Eddie (16) 1.17.40 (42) 10th Mils (6) (11) 1.14.25 (57) 11th Cookham (10) 1.18.27 (52) 12th Bellier (9) 1.05.45 (27) 13th Vase (15) D.N.F. Cheta D.N.F.

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